



TOWN REPORT 1961

NORTHFIELD

MASSACHUSETTS



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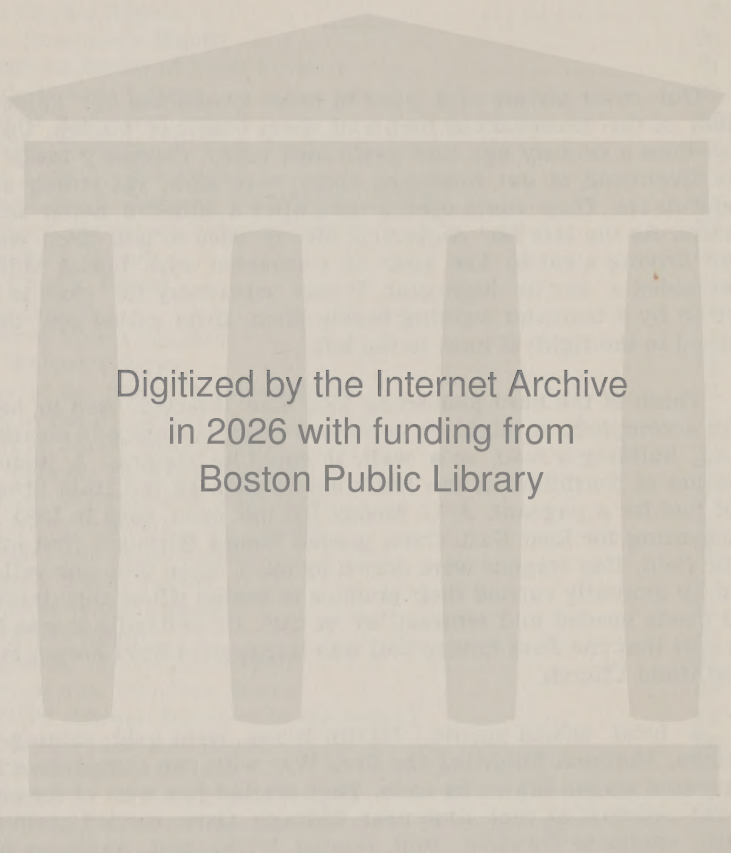
Front Cover Picture

Our cover picture of a yoke of oxen symbolizes our appreciation of the teamwork of man and these beasts of burden. Up to less than a century ago they performed many necessary tasks in the livelihood of our forebears. Oxen were slow, yet strong and dependable. They could open a road after a blizzard better than horses. As the late Mr. Ambert G. Moody used to tell, oxen were like driving a car in low gear as contrasted with horses which resembled a car in high gear. It was customary for oxen to be driven by a teamster walking beside them. If he called gee, they turned to the right; if haw, to the left.

Think of the hard pioneering jobs man directed oxen to help him accomplish. It might be to remove rocks or stumps in clearing land, building a road, or a wall. It could be logging. A picture booklet of Northfield of the 1880's shows oxen on the Main Street, not just for a pageant. A. G. Moody fed the oxen used in 1880 in excavating for East Hall. Oxen graded Mount Hermon's first athletic field. Hay wagons were drawn by oxen. More than one valley family annually carried their produce to Boston where they traded for goods needed and returned by ox cart. Undoubtedly it was by ox cart that the Paul Revere bell was transported from Boston to a Northfield Church.

A local school master, Martin Brown, went gold mining to Helena, Montana following the Civil War with two companions in a covered wagon drawn by oxen. They started just west of the end of the railroad, at that time near Chicago. Oxen carried grain to mill, apples to the cider mill, lumber, bricks, and hardware for new houses and barns. Oxen had to be raised off their feet so the blacksmith could fit any one of his 8 shoes, for oxen have a cloven hoof and can not stand on 3 feet. Unlike an automobile, oxen could live off the land and return fertilizer to it, a great advantage in the days of barter and little hard cash. Oxen went on exhibit at the annual county fair, thus the old name of Cattle Show. Here we have paid tribute by picturing an ox team.

Elsie Scott



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Elected Town Officers

MARCH 1961 TO MARCH 1962

MODERATOR

Edgar J. Livingston

TOWN CLERK

Horace F. Field

TOWN TREASURER

Alexander Kozlowski

SELECTMEN

Stanley Wickey, Chairman	Term expires March 1962
Paul M. Mayberry	Term expires March 1963
Corys M. Heselton	Term expires March 1964

ASSESSORS

Clifford A. Field, Chairman	Term expires March 1962
Winthrop E. Spencer	Term expires March 1963
Lee H. Sheldon	Term expires March 1964

TAX COLLECTOR

Roy J. Fish	Term expires March 1962
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Alvin H. Scott	Term expires March 1962
Gilbert H. Stacy	Term expires March 1963
Evelyn U. True	Term expires March 1964

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Louise M. Reeves	Term expires March 1962
Luman A. Barber	Term expires March 1962
Lillian G. Wells	Term expires March 1963
Donald Q. McCollester	Term expires March 1963
Jean P. Hatheway	Term expires March 1964
William H. Hawley	Term expires March 1964

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Horace F. Field	Term expires March 1962
Murray M. Hammond	Term expires March 1963
Owen Stacey	Term expires March 1964

TREE WARDEN

Joseph Bilmon	Term expires March 1964
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CONSTABLE

Paul E. Chamberlin	Term expires March 1962
Joseph G. Morgan	Term expires March 1962
Niles E. Stone	Term expires March 1962
Murray M. Hammond—Farms Resident	Term expires March 1962

PLANNING BOARD

F. Wilton Dean	Term expires March 1962
Agnes Hammond	Term expires March 1963
L. Percy Goodspeed	Term expires March 1964
Harvey H. Hatheway	Term expires March 1965
A. Gordon Moody	Term expires March 1966

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Robert P. Barnes	Term expires March 1963
Carolyn B. Parenteau	Term expires March 1964

FINANCE COMMITTEE—APPOINTED BY MODERATOR

Albert W. Stompe	Term expires March 1962
Willis K. Parker	Term expires March 1962
Lester P. White	Term expires March 1963
Roger M. Greenwood, Chairman	Term expires March 1963
John F. Smith	Term expires March 1964
Paul B. Thompson	Term expires March 1964

Appointments by Selectmen for 1962

ACCOUNTANT

Helen M. Stearns

Term expires July 1962

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Howard E. Williams

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.

Eugene Miller

Philip Mann, Jr.

Paul Carpenter

SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Charles R. White

Term expires April 1962

GYPSY MOTH AGENT

Joseph S. Bilmon

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Robert L. Huber

Floyd M. Dunnell, Jr.

Leon H. Dunnell

Roland Merritt

Frank F. Kelley

Ralph Sargent

Edward Dwight

James O'Sullivan

Edward Burniske

Roy A. Barrows

INSPECTOR OF MEAT AND SLAUGHTERING

Leonard W. Barnes

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Frank J. Rockwell

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Gilbert S. Hammond

Term expires April 1962

FENCE VIEWERS

Eugene F. Hammond

Carlton W. Holton

Laurence M. Hammond

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND TIMBER

James E. Dresser

Fred I. Bolton

FIELD DRIVERS

Leonard C. Streeter

Robert L. Gibson

Eugene F. Hammond

DOG OFFICER

Richard C. Whitney

POUND KEEPER

Leonard C. Streeter

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Laurence M. Hammond, Chairman

Term expires 1962

Clayton H. Glazier

Term expires 1963

Chalmers Reed

Term expires 1964

Horace F. Field, Clerk

FOREST WARDEN

Joseph S. Bilmon

ELECTION OFFICERS

James R. Dale

Helen M. Stearns

Helen Greene

Harrison Stacy

Flora C. Abbey

Ann P. James

Mary L. Holton

Edward M. Powell, Jr.

SUBSTITUTE ELECTION OFFICERS

Minnie Skinner

Eleanor A. Hammond

Catherine Gilbert

Edith Smolen

1962 Jury List

Wallace Stange
Leon H. Dunnell
Olive F. Stone
Elsie L. Bordner
Stanley Gorzocoski
Ann P. James
Clayton Glazier
Carl C. Compton

Donald G. Huber
Carroll Rikert
Percy L. Goodspeed
Chalmers Reed
Agnes G. Caron
Hazel F. Powers
Frank J. Rockwell
Marshall Lanphear

Melvin L. Miller

Selectmen's Report for 1961

During 1961 Northfield Welfare administration was transferred from the local office to the Northern Franklin Welfare District with office at Dewey Street, Bernardston. This action was made necessary by Mrs. Kehl's regretable illness and the Board wishes again to express appreciation for her fine and loyal service. This change may offer some advantages to the town and possibly include a financial saving. Paul Mayberry was voted Chairman of the Board of Welfare and so represents the town at monthly meetings in Bernardston on the Prudential Committee. Mrs. Charles White was transferred to the Bernardston office and works there regularly.

The sidewalk was extended on the east side of Main Street from the Fire Station to the Library and a cross walk put in for the Elementary School.

Chapter 90 Construction all went to extend the Gulf Road. This work has reached the area where rocks, steep banks and a winding brook make work very expensive.

The only permanent work under Chapter 81 went on the South Mountain Road which was laid out at no expense to the town by the County Commissioner's. This road is used by many citizens as a short cut to eastern points on Route 2.

Both suggestions and criticism have been helpful to the Selectmen and have brought to their attention conditions which otherwise might not have been known. The continued interest of our local citizens is earnestly solicited by the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY T. WICKEY, Chairman
PAUL M. MAYBERRY
CORYS M. HESELTON

Town Clerk's Report

It is extremely important the Vital Statistics record be complete and correct. If any errors or omissions are discovered the Clerk will deem it a favor to have them reported at once so that corrections may be made.

As required by Chapter 46, Section 15, General Laws of Massachusetts:

Notice is hereby given that the Town Clerk will furnish blanks for returns of births to parents, householders, physicians and registered hospital officers applying for the same.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN 1961

Date	Name	Parents
JANUARY 1961		
25	Gorzocoski, Anne Marie	Paul T. and Eileen U.
FEBRUARY		
25	Whitney, Wendy Jean	Ronald J. and Linda E.
MARCH		
8	Butynski, Karen Marie	George J. and Elizabeth R.
24	Butler, Brian David	Kenneth M. and Janice M.
26	Stebbins, Aaron Charles	Leonard C. and Carolyn F.
APRIL		
5	King, Daniel Joseph	Theodore R. and Mary E.
26	Deyo, William Roy	Willie R. and Marcia V.
20	Monroe, Donald Phillip	Alson H. and Helen A.
MAY		
20	Bassett, Jeanne Marie	Richard H. and Marion E.
31	Russell, Thomas Joseph (3rd)	Thomas J. and Barbara J.
15	Severance, Julie May	Irwin, Jr. and Alice J.
JUNE		
22	Johnson, Karen Louise	Robert E. and Sharon N.
25	Smith, Herbert Warner	Warner H. and Jacqueline A.

JULY

3 Sytnik, Mark Edward
24 Turner, Linda Ann

Chester M. and Pauline E.
Frank S. and Jessie Anne M.

AUGUST

19 Carroll, Diane Elizabeth
10 Holloway, John Hubert
13 Rogers, Timothy Harold
30 McAndrews, Peter Michael

John P. and Jane E.
Norman W. and Audrey M.
Berton B. and Dorothy M.
Brian V. and Margaret L.

SEPTEMBER

6 Mello, Sonja Anne
12 Ward, Michael Alan
30 Browning, Ruth Elizabeth

George E. and Judith A.
Charles R. and Marion E.
Homer F. and Ethel R.

OCTOBER

5 Merrill, Jennifer Lee
9 Seymour, Alyson

Stanley C. and Judith R.
William A. and Lucille A.

NOVEMBER

2 Holbrook, Richard Laurence (3rd)
10 Tessier, Michael Francis
18 Arsenault, Dawn Ellen

Richard L. and Marian B.
Gerald D. and Jeanette M.
Edward E. and Meredith R.

DECEMBER

3 Thayer, Kevin Roy
13 Gaida, Tracy Leigh
13 Whitney, Robert Ernest
22 Billiel, Daniel Arthur

Donald L. and Ruth M.
Stanley H. and Jean T.
Robert E. and Editha M.
Frederick J. and Helen C.

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 1961

Date	Name and Residence	Place of Marriage
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APRIL

✓ 8	Porter, David Allen, Winchester, N. H.	Northfield
	Knapp, Irene May, Northfield, Mass.	
✓ 15	Repeta, Charles Michael, (Jr.) Northfield, Mass.	Rockland
	Martin, Janice Louise, Rockland, Mass.	
✓ 29	Nelson, George Herbert, Bernardston, Mass.	
	Goodwin, Shirley Elizabeth (Kehl), Northfield,	Northfield

MAY

- ✓ 27 Gibson, David Robert, Northfield, Mass. Northfield
Ware, Betty Ann, Northfield, Mass.

JUNE

- ✓ 17 Ballard, Kaith Emerson, New Haven, Conn. Gill
Rubendall, Suzanne, Northfield, Mass.
✓ 18 Kaylor, Karl Timothy, Xenia, Ohio Northfield
Schouler, Martha, Northfield, Mass.

JULY

- ✓ 4 Wrede, Harry, Lodi, New Jersey Northfield
Urgielewicz, Marguerite Marie, Lodi, New Jersey
✓ 8 Clough, Warren Charles, Northfield, Mass. Erving, Mass.
Eddy, Rose Marie, Erving, Mass.
✓ 15 Walker, Roland David, Northfield, Mass. Vernon, Vt.
Clough, Evelyn Florence, Vernon, Vt.
? 15 Scroggins, Joel Eastman, Northfield Barnstable Mass.
Mathes, Nancy Neal, Dover, New Hampshire
✓ 22 Wetherbe, Franklin Bond, Shutesbury, Mass. Northfield
Browning, June Rachel, Northfield, Mass.
✓ 30 Thayer, John Harold, Northfield, Mass. Northfield
Turner, Carol Ethelyn, Northfield, Mass.

AUGUST

- ✓ 5 Williams, Richard Allan, Northfield. Framingham, Mass.
✓ Martin, Penelope Clark, Framingham, Mass.
12 Walbridge, David Arthur, Northfield. Abington, Mass.
✓ Dalton, Judith Lee, Abington, Mass.
✓ 12 Gagnon, Dennis Richard, E. Longmeadow. E. Northfield
Porter, Marilyn Gail, E. Northfield, Mass.
✓ 26 Matosky, Stephen Adam, Northfield, Mass. Millers Falls
Martin, Leanne, West Swanzey, N. H.

SEPTEMBER

- ✓ 1 Ware, Verne Clinton, Northfield. Athol, Mass.
✓ Henrich, Edith Emma (Jillson), Athol, Mass.
5 York, Gordon Gerald, Montague Center, Mass. Northfield
Magoon, Margaret Estelle, Northfield, Mass.
✓ 9 Castagne, Joseph, Red Lodge, Montana Northfield
Bentley, Esther Muriel, Northfield, Mass.
✓ 16 Snow, Peter Allen, Leyden, Mass. Northfield
Glazier, Ella Louise, Northfield, Mass.

? - No original record Z no intention, need marriage
X - intention - no marriage record

OCTOBER

- ✓ 7 Fuller, Fredd Monroe, Northfield, Mass. Bernardston, Mass.
Streeter, Margaret Lucille, Northfield, Mass.
- ? 19 Williams, Earl Richard, Northfield, Mass. E. Northfield
Taylor, Maryan Alice (Hyde), Northfield, Mass.

DECEMBER

- ✓ 2 Starkey, Lewis Howard, Northfield, Mass. Northfield
Leach, Diane Elizabeth, Northfield, Mass.
- ? 9 McIntre, Gordon Steven, Northfield, Mass. Northfield
Griswold, Beverly Ann, Greenfield, Mass.
- X 9 Shine, David Lewis, Northfield, Mass. Northfield
Hartwell, Shirley Mae, Northfield, Mass.

DEATHS RECORDED IN 1961

Date	Name	Years	Age	
			Months	Days
JANUARY				
10	Clifford, Beulah U.	59	0	10
17	Curtis, Andrew Harrison	79	3	18
FEBRUARY				
15	Kavanaugh, Mary Jane (Aubrey)	85	2	14
15	Dwight, Franc (Long)	71	4	23
MARCH				
3	Kiely, Margaret	75	0	0
26	Letwinski, Anna Yakchuk	81	0	4
30	Fuller, Lewis Edmund	80	10	22
APRIL				
3	Bolton, Lena Barrows	96	4	25
3	Stempkowski, Alexander	87	1	18
8	Hallam, Bessie Bellfield	90	9	22
11	Dale, Mary Rouse	93	2	9
27	Streeter, Charles David	85	9	15
MAY				
5	Crowningshield, Francis	83	11	28
11	Webster, Alma Rosa Privet	65	0	0
14	Whitney, Ethyl Field	75	0	11
19	Hoehn, Grace Lawrence	89	3	10
24	Chrysler, Clara Belle Van Duzer	89	4	26
25	Rankin, Mary Brownlie (Inglis)	62	5	21
26	Lopez, Natalia	90	8	22
28	Green, Effie Fisher	83	0	12
30	Dunnell, Floyd Myron	69	9	3

JUNE

17	Smalley, George	65	3	23
25	Slate, Ira	79	3	22

JULY

5	Barr, Gertrude Dewey	93	6	15
12	Drysdale, Isabel Jean	53	1	21
15	Wright, Marion Guild	80	8	22
15	Field, Arthur Charles	80	11	7
27	Codding, Bessie M. Davis	83	3	17

AUGUST

7	Skibiski, Mickal	71	6	19
12	Dale, William E.	70	5	16
14	Williamson, Judson Warner	80	7	2
15	Bauer, Frederick Edward	72	6	4

OCTOBER

15	Sutherland, Jessie Bates	82	10	8
20	Long, Madeleine Viola	72	0	0
24	Brown, Leon Garfield	80	1	9

NOVEMBER

25	Redner, Carl Wesley	35	0	0
30	Morlock, Alfred Lee	49	4	21

DOG LICENSES ISSUED IN 1961

Male Dogs	111
Female	12
Female (Spayed)	67
Special Kennel, (\$10)	7
Special Kennel, (\$25)	2
	199

SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED IN 1961

Resident Fishing	77
Resident Hunting	125
Resident Sporting	83
Resident Minor Fishing	30
Resident Women's Fishing	24
Special Non-Resident Fishing	9
Non-Resident Fishing	30

Resident Alien Fishing	0
Resident Trapping (Minor)	1
Resident Trapping	1
Non-Resident Hunting	8
Archery Deer Stamp	16
Resident Sporting (Free)	37
Duplicate	6
Old Age Fishing (Free)	6
	453

OTHER LICENSES AND PERMITS ISSUED IN 1961

Alcohol (Methyl)	3
Auctioneer	1
Auctioneer (Temporary)	2
Common Victualer	5
Gasoline	6
Innkeeper	2
Junk	0
Milk	5
Oleomargarine	1
	25

Copy of the votes taken at the

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 6, 1961

ELECTION

The inhabitants of the Town of Northfield came to the Town Hall in answer to the call of the warrant. The meeting was called to order and the warrant for the election was read by the Town Clerk.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock and were closed at eight o'clock and it was determined that 640 votes had been cast.

The results were as follows:

TOWN CLERK, One Year

Horace F. Field	617
A. Kozlowski	1
Blanks	22

TOWN TREASURER, One Year

Wallace Stange	238
A. Kozlowski	371
Blanks	31

MODERATOR, One Year

Edgar J. Livingston	559
Blanks	81

SELECTMAN, Three Years

Robert L. Gibson	159
Corys M. Heselton	468
A. Kozlowski	1
Blanks	12

ASSESSOR, Three Years

Lee H. Sheldon	590
Blanks	50

TAX COLLECTOR, One Year

Roy J. Fish	578
A. Kozlowski	1
Philip Mann Jr.	1
Blanks	60

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Three Years

Elizabeth L. Bolton	290
Evelyn U. True	335
Blanks	15

LIBRARY TRUSTEES, Three Years

Jean P. Hathaway	542
William H. Hawley	538
Blanks	200

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, Three Years

Owen Stacey	574
Carleton Holton	1
Blanks	65

TREE WARDEN, Three Years

Joseph Bilmon	599
Blanks	41

CONSTABLE AT LARGE, One Year

Paul E. Chamberlin	584
Joseph G. Morgan	581
Niles E. Stone	582
Blanks	173

CONSTABLE (Northfield Farms), One Year

Murray M. Hammond	594
Blanks	46

PLANNING BOARD, Five Years

A. Gordon Moody	531
Blanks	109

**PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT COMMITTEE, Three Years**

Edwin W. Finch	187
Dorothy M. Hammond	207
Carolyn B. Parenteau	218
Blanks	28

After the announcement of the results, the meeting was closed to be reopened on Tuesday, March 7, 1961 in accordance with the warrant.

HORACE F. FIELD

Town Clerk

Copy of the votes taken at the

ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

MARCH 7, 1961

Approximately one-hundred fifty inhabitants plus forty-five student guests from Springfield Classical High School and Northfield School For Girls assembled in accordance with the warrant as posted, to conduct the business of the Annual Town Meeting.

The Moderator, Mr. Edgar J. Livingston called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. on the evening of March 7. The invocation was given by Rev. Harold C. Tallman. The Moderator directed that the reading of the warrant be waived. Mr. James R. Dale and Mrs. Helen M. Stearns were appointed to serve as tellers.

The consideration of the articles in the warrant resulted as follows:

Article 1. As it was stated by the Moderator that no action need be taken on the reports as printed in the Town Report, no action was taken under this Article.

Article 2. Voted: To authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961.

Article 3. Voted: To empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town.

Article 4. Voted: That the Town fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended.

Selectmen and Welfare Boards:	Moderator	\$ 25
Chairman	\$375 \$75	Treasurer 1000
Other Members	325 75	Tax Collector 1000
Assessors:		Town Clerk 550
Each Member	300	P.V.R.S. Comm.
School Committee:		Each Member 100
Each Member	100	

After Article 4, the visitor from Springfield Classical High School were recognized by the moderator as follows:

"In the balcony tonight are five students and their advisor, Mr. Thomas Boyle from Springfield Classical High School and Mr. John Williams and five students from Pioneer Valley Regional School. They are here as part of a Student Government Exchange Program. Next Monday the five Pioneer Students will visit Springfield Classical High School and attend a city council

meeting. This is all a part of a statewide program for better understanding of local government.

Article 5. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town charges, as follows:

Moderator Salary	\$ 25 00
Expense	15 00
Selectmen and Welfare Board	1250 00
Expense	400 00
Town Accountant Salary	1000 00
Expense	85 00
Assessors Salary	900 00
Expense	350 00
Tax Collector Salary	1000 00
Expense	600 00
Finance Committee Expense	25 00
Constable Pay, Expense and Equipment	1200 00
Fire Dept. Salaries	500 00
Operating Acct.	5550 00
Water Holes	400 00
Public Safety	50 00
Treasurer Salary	1000 00
Expense	450 00
Maintenance Athletic Field	400 00
Fire and Casualty Insurance	7159 64
Public Welfare Administration	3500 00
General Relief	4000 00
Town Clerk Salary Expense	550 00
School Committee Salary	100 00
P.V.R.S. Committee Salary	300 00
Planning Board	300 00
Expense	50 00
Wire Inspector	50 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary and Expense	200 00
Tree Warden Acct.	800 00
Dog Officer and Expense	175 00
Nurse and Substitute	3000 00
Expense	75 00
Car Expense	300 00
Fence Viewers and Field Drivers	50 00
Legal Expense	250 00
Town Hall Maintenance	5000 00
Elections and Registrations	1000 00
Fire Station Bonds Maturing Debt	3000 00

Interest	972 00
Elementary Schools	108644 00
P.V.R.S.D. Capital Budget	25585 48
P.V.R.S.D. Operating Budget	80339 98
Old Age Assistance	20000 00
Aid to Dependent Children	4000 00
Disability Assistance	2000 00
Soldiers' Relief	2750 00
Medical Assistance to Aged	13000 00
Mach. Maint. Acct. (Transfer from Road Mach. Fund)	7000 00
Highway Supt. Expense	125 00
Tools for Highway Work	100 00
Snow Removal	9000 00
Highway Bounds, Surveys Plans and St. Listings	100 00
Public Health	1300 00
Inspection of Animals	200 00
Insp. Meat and Slaughter	50 00
Alexander Hall	250 00
Interest	300 00
Damages	300 00
Town Clock	100 00
Town Reports	868 50
Assessors' Reports	845 00
Foreclosure Cost Tax Titles	50 00
Prot. Tax Title Property	25 00
Memorial Day	275 00

Article 6. Voted: That the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board, and that the salary be \$800.00 in accordance with the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 7. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$1300.00 for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment.

Article 8. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$1900.00 for the maintenance of the Fire Station and Town Garage.

Article 9. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$2500.00 to be used to combat Dutch Elm Disease.

Article 10. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$1000.00 for insect pest control.

Article 11. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$400.00 to be expended under the direction of the Tree Warden to maintain the Tree Nursery and purchase more stock to provide replacements for shade trees lost by disease and other causes.

Article 12. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$100.00 for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee.

Article 13. Voted: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of State Highways, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$4950.00 to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway repair and improvements, and that the sum of \$18150.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the States share of the cost of the work, the reimbursement from the State to be restored upon its receipt to unappropriated funds in the Treasury.

Article 14. Voted: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for Chapter 90 Construction, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$6250.00 to meet the Towns share. And in addition the sum of \$18,750.00 to be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County share, the reimbursement upon its receipt to be restored to the unappropriated available funds in the Treasury. 75% of the money to be spent of the Gulf Road.

Article 15. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2000.00 to meet the Towns share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, and in addition the sum of \$4000.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury to meet the State and County share, the reimbursements upon receipt to be restored to the unappropriated funds in the Treasury.

Article 16. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate \$4,000.00 for bridges, railings and highway work.

Article 17. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 for the repair of existing sidewalks, and for new construction.

Article 18. Voted: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,586.00 for lighting the streets.

Article 19. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms.

Article 20. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,600.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the Dog Tax.

At this point Mr. Heselton read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

CHARLES F. SLATE ESQ.

WHEREAS, Charles F. Slate, after having served the Town of Northfield for over 24 years as Town Treasurer, and now having tendered his resignation from office, and

WHEREAS, this Community by this resignation shall suffer the loss of an outstanding and devoted servant, and

WHEREAS, Charles F. Slate, with distinction to himself and to his Town did perform the duties of his office, with integrity, efficiency and merit in a manner exemplary of the highest principles of public service, and

WHEREAS, this service and devotion to duty has earned to him the everlasting respect and appreciation of his fellow citizens.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen, individually and on behalf of the people of the Town of Northfield, do hereby in recognition for the public service rendered, express their appreciation and thanks for his service so rendered in the cause of better government and in the promotion of the welfare of this Community, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of this Annual Meeting, published in the next Annual Report of the Town and a copy engrossed presented to Charles F. Slate.

STANLEY WICKEY
Chairman

PAUL M. MAYBERRY

CORYS M. HESELTON

Selectmen of the Town of Northfield

Article 21. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to finance a summer playground program for the children of Northfield and authorize the moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same.

Article 22. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 23. Voted: That the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$275.00 for repairs to the Northfield Museum and Number Four School House.

Article 24. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$2,600.00 for the care and preservation of cemeteries.

Article 25. Voted: That the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$400.00 for hydrant service for 16 hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Company.

Article 26. Voted and passed over.

Article 27. Voted: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a committee of 3 to study By-Laws and Traffic Regulations for the Town of Northfield and said Committee to report back no later than the next annual Town Meeting.

Article 28. Voted: That the Town instruct the Planning Board to investigate sewage, sewerage, and the disposal of the same. Said Planning Board to report no later than at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Article 29. Voted: That the Board of Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to sell all right title and interest, which the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, have or may have in the Edward Holton premises so-called taken for non-payment of taxes, to the highest bidder, payment to be made in cash, and to execute a deed of all right, title and interest of the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, and to deliver said deed upon receipt of the purchase price.

Article 30. Voted: That the Town discontinue two street lights on the Gulf Road so-called located on poles 26-95 and 92 and that the Town erect and place two street lights on Pierson road, on pole (1) L-73B/8 and (2) L-6.

Article 31. Voted: That the Town will vote to accept a sum of approximately \$487.00 from the Commonwealth of Massachu-

setts as a grant providing aid for free public libraries as outlined in Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960.

Article 32. Voted: That the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 from Dorothy L. Miller as a trust fund, the interest thereof be used for perpetual care of the L. O. Clapp lot No. 288 in Center Cemetery.

Article 33. Voted: That the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$150.00 from Mrs. Fred B. Kelley as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot No. 246 in West Northfield Cemetery.

Article 34. Voted: That the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$440.00 from C. Ina Merriam Estate as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of the Hachita lot in Center Cemetery.

Article 35. Voted: That the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$1,760.00 from C. Ina Merriman Estate as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of Samuel Merri- man and Elijar Merriman lot in Center Cemetery.

Article 36. Voted: That the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$5,694.68 from the estate of C. Ina Merriman as an unre- stricted fund to be administered under the direction of the trustees of the Dickenson Memorial Library.

Article 37. Voted: That the Town will transfer \$3,000.00 from Overlay Reserve, for a Reserve fund for the current year.

Article 38. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of \$15,000.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1961 Tax Rate.

Article 39. Voted: That the Town instruct the Board of Se- lectmen to petition in behalf of the Town the State Tax Com- mission for the installation or acceptance of an assessment sys- tem in accordance with the provision of Section 7A through 7D of Chapter 58 of the General Laws.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD

Town Clerk

**Copy of the votes taken at the
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 24, 1961**

Approximately twenty-five inhabitants of Northfield assembled at the Town Hall in accordance with the foregoing Warrant, as posted, to conduct the business of the Special Town Meeting. The Moderator, Mr. Edgar J. Livingston, called the meeting to order at eight o'clock in the evening of April 24th, 1961. The warrant was read by the Town Clerk.

Article 1. Voted unanimously: That the Town join with one or more Towns or combination of Towns, and the Board of Selectmen be authorized in behalf of the Town to enter in a contract or contracts, with said Town or Towns all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 118B of the General Laws, for the purpose of forming a Welfare District; and that the Town appropriate from available unappropriated funds in the Treasury the sum of \$50.00 for salary purposes.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treasury \$2500.00 for railroad crossing construction.

Mr. Heselton spoke in appreciation of Mrs. Shirley Kehl's long and faithful service in the Welfare Department and made a motion that she be tendered a rising vote of thanks and that the Town Clerk write her a letter to this effect and that the action be written into the town records.

The following letter was written to Mrs. Kehl.

Dear Mrs. Kehl,

It is my pleasure and privilege to write this note to tell you that at the Special Town Meeting last evening, as a result of a motion made by Mr. Corys Heselton, you were tendered a rising vote of appreciation and gratitude for your faithful and loyal service to the Town. The motion further specified that this action be written into the Town Records.

I know that I speak for everyone in wishing you a speedy recovery.

Sincerely,

HORACE F. FIELD
Town Clerk
April 25, 1961

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD
Town Clerk

**Copy of the votes taken at the
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
DECEMBER 12, 1961**

Approximately one hundred and fifty inhabitants of Northfield assembled at the Town Hall in accordance with the foregoing Warrant, as posted, to conduct the business of the Special Town Meeting. The Moderator, Mr. Edgar J. Livingston, called the meeting to order at eight o'clock in the evening of December 12th, 1961. The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk. Mr. James Dale and Mrs. Helen Stearns were appointed tellers.

Article 1. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of \$2500 from Railroad Crossing Construction to Snow Removal Account.

Article 2. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of \$500 from Chapter 90 Maintenance for bridges, railing, and highway work.

Article 3. Voted: That the Town transfer the sum of \$1000 from Road Machinery Fund to Machinery Maintenance Account.

Article 4. Dr. Dean reported for the planning board on the proposed protected By-Law as outlined in the Warrant. After considerable discussion a motion made by Raymond Parenteau and seconded by Kenneth Miller that the zoning map be corrected to include the following present businesses as business districts. Fairview Gardens, Morgan Garage, Samuel Lane House, Whitney Bros. Filling Station, Gladside Gardens, S. L. Johnson, and New England Market was defeated. The Moderator then declared that the vote on the proposed protected By-Law would be by written ballot. The vote was one hundred and fifty-one. Ninety-four by men and fifty-four by women and resulted as follows: Yes-68, No-83 and the motion was defeated.

The following motion was then made by Mr. Powell, duly seconded and unanimously voted.

I move that the thanks of the Community be extended to the Planning Board for their painstaking and conscientious efforts to provide for Northfield a means of civic protection designed to benefit all of our citizens.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 P.M.

Attest:

HORACE F. FIELD
Town Clerk

Town Treasurer's Report

January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

Balance January 1, 1961	\$139896 65
Receipts for year 1961	504079 77
	\$643976 42

Payments per Warrants	\$506747 67
Cash on hand December 31, 1961	4696 11
Franklin County Trust Company	131272 64
Crocker Institution for Savings	1260 00
	\$643976 42

Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield

Balance December 31, 1961, per statement	\$149280 10
Outstanding checks December 31 per list	\$18007 46
Balance December 31, 1961, per check book	131272 64
	\$149280 10

Franklin County Retirement System

Balance January 1, 1961	\$ 216 29
Amount Collected from members in 1961	1936 07
Payment to Franklin County Retirement Board	\$ 2152 36
in 1961	1956 96
Balance December 31, 1961, in Treasury	195 40
	2152 36

Federal Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1961	\$1345 28
Withholding Tax deducted 1961	16134 91
Paid to Collector of Internal Revenue 1961	\$ 17480 19
	16141 07
Balance December 31, 1961, in Treasury	1339 12
	\$ 17480 19

Mass. Withholding Tax Statement

Balance January 1, 1961	\$ 394 55
Withholding Tax deducted in 1961	1605 73
Paid to Commonwealth of Mass. in 1961	\$ 2000 28
	1585 18
Employer's Compensation	19 60
Balance December 31, 1961 in Treasury	395 50
	\$ 2000 28

Blue Cross and Blue Shield

Balance January 1, 1961	\$ 147 44	
Deducted from members 1961	1829 28	\$ 1976 72
Paid to Mass. Hospital Service 1961	1803 80	
Balance December 31, 1961, in Treasury	172 92	\$ 1976 72

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER KOZLOWSKI, JR.

Treasurer

Treasurer's Report of Trust Funds

Name	On hand Jan. 1, 1961	Savings Deposits	Securities	Interest Received	Interest Added	Total on Hand Dec. 1, 1961
Edward D. Priest and others West Northfield Cemetery Fund	\$7292 49	\$4292 49	\$3000 00	\$144 91 Sav. 146 28 Sec.		\$7292 49
James W. Cowles Center Cemetery Fund	2000 00	2000 00		68 06		2000 00
Calvin Stearns Center Cemetery Fund	500 00	500 00		17 02		500 00
Belcher Center School Fund	1050 00	1050 00		35 72 34 03 Sav.		1050 00
Belcher Center-Cemetery Fund	2000 00	1000 00	1000 00	25 00 Sec.		2000 00
Belcher Library Fund	9439 01	9439 01		319 71		9439 01
Belcher Library and School Fund	500 00		500 00	13 80		500 00
Lottie Evans-Worthy Poor Fund	1041 23	1041 23			\$35 44	1076 67
George F. Morgan-Charity Fund	3000 00	3000 00		102 09		3000 00
Surplus Revenue-School Fund	1600 00	1600 00		54 46		1600 00
Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3000 00	3000 00		98 28		3000 00
Mary H. Callender Mt. Hermon Cemetery Fund	500 00	500 00		17 02		500 00

Post War-Rehabilitation Fund	15114 59	5114 59	10000 00	Sav. 264 58 Sec. 250 00	15629 17
Roselle Evans-Worthy Poor Fund	500 00	500 00		17 02	500 00
Maude Montague-Library Fund	2000 00		2000 00	76 20	2000 00
C. Ina Merriam-Library Fund	0 00	5694 68		66 42	5694 68
Town of Northfield Real Estate Fund	1260 00	1260		41 28	1260 00
	\$50797 32	\$39992 00	\$16500 00	\$1277 30	\$550 02 \$57042 02

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER KOZLOWSKI, JR.

Treasurer

LIST OF CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

South Mountain Cemetery		Eva J. S. Clough	200 00
Alice J. Bigelow	\$100 00	M. Maria Foss	200 00
		Ernest C. Field	100 00
		Elisa Graves	51 69
West Northfield Cemetery		Brigham Gage & David	
Cecil Wilson	\$100 00	Clowes	100 00
Caroline B. Lane	150 00	Charles L. Gilbert	200 00
George W. Snow	200 00	Nettie E. Gilbert	300 00
Henry M. Yerrington	100 00	Samuel A. Holton	200 00
Pennock Fund	100 00	Inez E. Holton	50 00
Cora B. Preston & Pitts		Elvira A. Morgan	50 00
W. Preston	100 00	James & William	
S. E. K. Priest	200 00	Merriman	100 00
George F. Witt	100 00	Charles C. Morgan	100 00
Jane E. Evans	50 00	Henry W. Montague	400 00
Warena P. Miller	200 00	Samuel Pratt	25 00
Mary E. Bunker	200 00	Larkin Fisher & Frank &	
Edna M. Kelley	150 00	Lucy Ross	50 00
		Fred W. Ruggles	100 00
		Ashael Sawyer & Alner	
	\$1650 00	Sawyer	100 00
		Marcellus D. Stratton	100 00
Mount Hermon Cemetery		Rufus Stratton & Oren	
Henry F. Cutler	\$100 00	Darling	150 00
Lorimer Drury	100 00	Elisha & Elihu Stratton	200 00
Horace F. Holton	100 00	William H. Stratton	100 00
Alice V. Watson	150 00	Mary A. Stratton	100 00
Anna Bell McMillan	100 00	Samuel W. & William	
Charles T. Sibley	200 00	G. Slate	100 00
Lewis Hodus	200 00	Leroy Wetherhead	75 00
Roy R. Hatch	100 00	Oscar & Frank V. Wood	50 00
Joseph S. Castogue	100 00	Jennie L. Bascomb	150 00
		Herbert Dutton	100 15
	\$1150 00		
			\$3801 84
Northfield Farms Cemetery		Center Cemetery	
James Browning & Robert		Nelson & Nettie Spring	\$100 00
Washer	\$100 00	Emma Holtworth	100 00
Retta R. Barrett	100 00	John F. Rice	100 00
Ada Chamberlain &		Carpenter Winchester	100 00
Sarah Morgan	75 00	Clinton A. Ware	150 00
George M. Chamberlain	75 00		

George R. Stebbins	50 00	Clara B. Torrey	100 00
Charles Stebbins	100 00	Herbert E. Robbins	200 00
Walter D. Crane	100 00	S. E. Walker	200 00
John E. Nye	100 00	J. I. Greenleaf	300 00
Harvey J. Evans	50 00	M. Margaret Laird	100 00
Augustus W. Holton	100 00	Hezekiah & Elizabeth	
Thomas R. Callender	50 00	Stratton	80 00
Johnson Fund	123 06	Hezekiah & Mollie	
Mary L. Wright	125 00	Stratton	80 00
M. Bemis & Otis Field	50 00	Rufus & Asenath Stratton	80 00
Charles Blackmer	50 00	William H. Phelps	200 00
Alvin Long	50 00	Elizabeth M. Purple	200 00
Isaac Cook & Wright		Sarah J. Whithead	50 00
Stratton	100 00	Bessie Severance	100 00
John L. Mattoon	100 00	Lewis Fowler	50 00
Levi Fay	150 00	J. Wesley Mann	100 00
Sarah E. Minot	150 00	Andrew E. & Arthur H.	
James Packard	100 00	Lyman	400 00
Augustus L. Day	100 00	Edward B. Stearns	50 00
Elijar Belding	125 00	Benjamin Field & Charles	
James White	100 00	Pomeroy	100 00
Arad Webster & William		Charles Osgood	300 00
Billings	500 00	Louis Frederick Bartlett	100 00
Katherine Gaeng	100 00	Sherman Nye Bartlett	100 00
Elijar E. Belding	100 00	Rose A. Holton	100 00
A. M. D. Alexander	300 00	C. D. Merriam &	
Charles Alexander &		Cornelius Hillard	300 00
Richard Colton	200 00	Cora B. Preston & Asa	
Adelaide W. Moody	100 00	Holton	100 00
Louis M. Potts	200 00	Frank Piper & William	
Roselle Evans	50 00	Piper	100 00
Amos Shepardson & Anna		L. O. Clapp Lot	100 00
S. Preston	150 00	Hachita Lot	440 00
Bessie Moore	100 00	Samuel & Elijar	
Elizabeth P. Kraft	100 00	Merriman	1760 00
Maximilla S. Hachita	100 00	Mary V. H. Slade	125 00
Albert S. Brigham	100 00	Mrs. George Spofford	200 00
George E. Nye	200 00		
Dorothy P. Bruce	150 00		
Dr. Stratton White & George			\$11538 06
& William Hastings	300 00		
Jessamine W. Polhemus	100 00		
William R. Moody	100 00		
Mrs. Norman MacGaffin	50 00		

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

On hand January 1, 1961	\$17884 75	\$17884 75
On hand December 31, 1961	18239 90	18239 90

Receipts of Interest

South Mountain Cemetery	\$ 3 40
West Northfield Cemetery	55 75
Mount Hermon Cemetery	38 96
Northfield Farms Cemetery	127 35
Center Cemetery	341 18
Total Interest	\$ 566 64

Respectfully submitted,

ALEXANDER KOZLOWSKI, JR.

Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

FOR THE YEAR OF 1961

Taxes for 1956

Outstanding 1-1-61		\$489 03
Abated	\$489 03	
Outstanding 1-1-62	0 00	0 00
	\$489 03	\$489 03

Taxes for 1957

Outstanding 1-1-61		\$1466 31
Paid Treasurer	\$168 59	
Tax Titles Taken	220 32	
Abated	1053 40	
Outstanding 1-1-62	24 00	
	\$1466 31	\$1466 31

Taxes for 1958

Outstanding 1-1-61		\$4170 12
Paid Treasurer	\$2461 11	

Tax Titles Taken	239 36	
Abated	252 61	
Outstanding 1-1-62	1217 04	
	\$4170 12	\$4170 12

Taxes for 1959

Outstanding 1-1-61		\$13981 14
Paid Treasurer	\$9768 80	
Tax Titles Taken	233 92	
Abated	63 11	
Outstanding 1-1-62	3915 31	
	\$13981 14	\$13981 14

Taxes for 1960

Outstanding 1-1-61		\$38137 67
Committed after 12-31-61		8611 06
Refunds		612 39
Paid Treasurer	\$29364 43	
Tax Titles Taken	244 80	
Abated	837 73	
Outstanding 1-1-62	16734 16	
Exemptions	180 00	
	\$47361 12	\$47361 12

Taxes for 1961

Poll Tax Levy		\$1358 00
Refunds		8 00
Exemptions	\$214 00	
Abated	86 00	
Paid Treasurer	854 00	
Outstanding 1-1-62	212 00	
	\$1366 00	\$1366 00
Farm Animal Levy		\$912 51
Paid Treasurer	\$802 76	
Outstanding 1-1-62	109 75	
	\$912 51	\$912 51

Personal Property Tax		\$21731 36
Paid Treasurer	\$20057 48	
Abated	43 50	
Outstanding 1-1-62	1630 38	
	\$21731 36	\$21731 36
Real Estate Levy		\$210670 42
Refunds		167 04
Paid Treasurer	\$178759 39	
Exemptions	4896 27	
Tax Titles Taken	775 63	
Outstanding 1-1-62	26406 17	
	\$210837 46	\$210837 46
Motor Vehicle Levy		\$38597 91
Refunds		448 02
Paid Treasurer	\$28329 66	
Abatements	1168 75	
Outstanding 1-1-62	9587 52	
	\$39085 93	\$39085 93

Respectfully submitted,

ROY J. FISH, Tax Collector

Board of Assessors' Report

For The Year Ending December 31, 1961

FINAL RECAPITULATION

TOWN APPROPRIATION

(a) To be raised by Taxation	\$359750 60	
(b) To be raised from available funds		
in 1961	\$51335 64	
in 1960 after tax rate was fixed	50 00	
		\$ 51385 64
		\$411136 24
Veterans' Service District		914 75
State Assessments 1961 Estimated		
State Parks and Reservations	\$1340 59	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	1445 30	
Underestimates	263 80	
		\$ 3049 69
County Assessments		
County Tax	\$15137 20	
Underestimates	655 41	
		\$ 15792 61
County Retirement System		1780 44
		\$ 17573 05
Overlay of current year		8622 74
		\$441296 47

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$46370 25
Corporation Taxes	10528 74
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	854 39
Old Age Tax (meals) Chap. 64B, S 10	1905 67
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	35000 00
Licenses	175 00
General Government	275 00
Protection of Persons and Property	150 00
Health and Sanitation	250 00

Charities (other than Federal Grants)	5000 00	
Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants)	23500 00	
Veterans' Services	800 00	
Schools	14250 00	
Interest on Taxes	1300 00	
Farm Animal Excise	800 00	
		\$141159 05
Available Funds	\$51385 64	
Free Cash	15000 00	
		\$ 66385 64
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$207544 69
New Amount To Be Raised By Taxation		\$233751 78
Number of Polls 675 @ \$2.00 each	\$1350 00	
Valuation of Personal Property		
\$249,785.00 @ \$87.00 per \$1,000	21731 29	
Valuation of Real Estate		
\$2,421,490.00 @ \$87.00 per \$1,000	210669 63	
Fractional Gain	0 86	
		\$233751 78

TABLE OF AGGREGATES

Number of Polls	675	
Number of Persons Assessed	778	
On Personal Property only	49	
On Real Estate only	480	
On both Personal and Real Estate	249	
Value of Assessed Stock in Trade	\$167740 00	
Machinery	67450 00	
Live Stock	3920 00	
All other Personal Property	10675 00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal		\$249785 00
Value of Assessed Real Estate		
Land Exclusive of Buildings	\$612535 00	
Buildings Exclusive of Land	1808955 00	
Total Value of Real Estate		\$2421490 00
Total Value of Assessed Estate		\$2671275 00
Taxes for State, County or Town Purposes		
On Personal	\$21731 29	
On Real Estate	210669 63	

On Polls	1350 00
Fractional Gain	0 86
	\$233751 78

ABATEMENTS DURING THE YEAR 1961

Levy of	1961	1960	1959	1958	1957	1956
Polls	\$302 00	\$18 00	\$10 00			
Personal	17 40	26 10	34 40	\$44 00	\$48 00	
Real Estate	230 89			63 36		
Motor Vehicles	1168 75	819 73	18 71	145 25	1005 42	\$489 00
Exemptions—	4665 38	180 00				
Chap. 59 Sec. 5, Cl. 22						

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

Number of Motor Vehicles	1200
Total Excise on Motor Vehicles	38597 91
Total Assessed Valuation	\$618572 00
Motor Vehicle incomplete — Compiled to December 31, 1961	

We the Board of Assessors, wish to take this opportunity to thank the People of Northfield and Town Officials for their continued cooperation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. FIELD

WINTHROP E. SPENCER

LEE H. SHELDON

Board of Assessors

Northern Franklin Welfare District

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1961

To: Northfield Board of Public Welfare
From: L. R. Stark, Director, Northern Franklin Welfare District
Subject: Annual Report on Public Assistance for 1961

At the beginning of the year Public Assistance in Northfield was being administered by the Town of Northfield with Mrs. Shirley Kehl, Director. Early in the year Mrs. Kehl became ill with a prolonged period of hospitalization and assistance in administration of the welfare program in Northfield was furnished by the Northern Franklin Welfare District beginning April 1st on a fee basis of \$225.00 per month. Mrs. Kehl was unable to resume her duties and retired from the position in July after several months in a leave status. Northfield formally joined the Northern Franklin Welfare District July 1, 1961. Mrs. Evelyn White, Clerk in the Northfield Welfare Office, was employed by the District at this time. Cost of administration for the year from town appropriation was \$3500.00, part of which was returned to the town in federal and state reimbursements.

During the last half of 1961, the District Welfare Office in Bernardston administered Public Assistance for Northfield for the Northfield Board of Public Welfare. This work included investigations of applications for assistance, periodic investigations of continuing need, determination of the amount of needs, preparation of payrolls and reports and related matters.

During the year there were no general cost of living increases in regular grant payments. Cost of hospitalization increased during the year as did some other items of medical care. Old Age Assistance recipients received a \$1.50 per month increase in Travel Allowance and Disability Assistance recipients received for the first time \$4.00 per month for Leisure Time Activities and \$2.50 per month Travel Allowance beginning January 1, 1961. Federal participation in Old Age Assistance was increased to \$49.80 per month per case during the year and to \$42.30 in Disability Assistance while it remained at \$20.50 per person in Aid to Dependent Children. In Medical Assistance for the Aged, a new category of public assistance, the federal participation is 50% of the cost. There is no federal participation in General Relief.

The state reimburses a part of the cost in all categories. In General Relief, state participation is limited to cases with no legal settlement. Medical care payments now are being paid directly to the vendors for all types of medical services in all categories of assistance.

There was a total of forty-seven cases being aided at the beginning of the year and forty-five at the end of 1961. Total assistance payments for the year were about \$300.00 higher than in 1960. General Relief, Disability Assistance and Old Age Assistance payments were lower but Aid to Dependent Children and Medical Assistance for the Aged were higher.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Minimum grants were increased to \$63.00 per month for recipients living with relatives and \$83.00 per month for all others without other resources. Depending on the needs of the individual, these grants ranged upward to \$160.00 per month plus medical needs.

At the beginning of the year thirty-two cases were being aided at the cost of \$2217.00 per month exclusive of medical needs. At the end of the year there were twenty-nine on the rolls with a regular monthly payment of \$2222.00. Additional payments for medical needs averaged \$725.00 per month during 1961.

Four applications were received during the year and all were approved for assistance. Seven cases were closed, of which two moved to other towns, two were transferred to Medical Assistance for the Aged, one went to a mental institution and two died.

Twelve Old Age Assistance real estate liens were in force at the beginning of the year and one new one was recorded. Three liens were released after recovery of \$2830.00 on two of these leaving ten recorded liens at the end of 1961. An additional \$1525.00 was recovered after the recipient received an inheritance.

There were no appeals during the year.

Total assistance payments were about \$15,000.00 less than the previous year, caused chiefly because several nursing home recipients were transferred to the Medical Assistance for the Aged program.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Three cases with seven children were being aided at the beginning of the year at a cost of \$288.00 per month plus medical

needs. Four new applications were received, two of which were denied with the other two being approved for assistance. One case was closed after becoming self-supporting, leaving four cases on the rolls with eight children at the end of 1961, with regular monthly payments of \$437. Cost in this category increased about \$1000.00 over the previous year.

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

One case was being aided under this category at the beginning of the year but later was transferred to the Medical Assistance for the Aged program. One new application was received but denied, and no assistance is being given in this category at the present time. Costs this year were about \$2300.00 less than the previous year.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED

This category was put into effect October 1, 1960, making persons over sixty-five eligible for assistance on medical costs only, when their income is sufficient for their ordinary needs but not enough to cover medical needs. Most Old Age Assistance recipients in licensed nursing homes were automatically transferred to this category as this type of care is not now normally available to Old Age Assistance recipients.

There were eight Medical Assistance for the Aged nursing home cases on the rolls at the beginning of the year. Seven additional applications were processed of which one was denied and the other six were approved for assistance. There were six closings during the year, all of whom died, leaving eight on the rolls at the end of 1961 and all are patients in licensed nursing homes. Cost in this category increased about \$18,600.00 over the previous year.

GENERAL RELIEF

Three family cases were being aided at the start of the year. Ten applications were made during the year and assistance was given in each case. Nine cases were closed during the year after becoming self-supporting, leaving four cases receiving aid at the end of 1961. Cost in this category decreased about \$2,000.00 as compared with the previous year.

NORTHFIELD
WELFARE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES 1961

Available Funds

Category	Town Appn. & Refunds	Prev. Balance	Federal Reim. 1961	Tt'l. Avail. Funds
O.A.A.	\$20111 60	\$21624 05	\$16308 00	\$58043 65
M.A.A.	13007 50	0 00	12051 12	25058 62
A.D.C.	4000 00	3199 35	2369 00	9568 35
D.A.	2000 00	1042 65	166 00	3208 65
G.R.	4000 00	0 00	0 00	4000 00
Adm.	3500 00	2505 31	3186 97	9192 28
Total	\$46619 10	\$28371 36	\$34081 09	\$109071 55

Payments and Balance

	Total Payments	Unused Balance
O.A.A.	\$36271 61	\$21772 04
M.A.A.	21880 38	3178 24
A.D.C.	5533 48	4034 87
D.A.	411 70	2796 95
G.R.	1186 51	2813 49
Adm.	6264 02	2928 26
	\$71547 70	37523 85

Distribution of Costs

	Receipts		Net Northfield	
	Federal	State	Other	Cost
O.A.A.	\$16308 00	\$11259 38	\$1010 06	\$7694 17
M.A.A.	12051 12	7629 66	0 00	2199 60
A.D.C.	2369 00	1655 39	0 00	1509 09
D.A.	166 00	440 90	0 00	*195 20
G.R.	0 00	649 74	0 00	536 77
Adm.	3186 97	1593 46	0 00	1483 59
Total	\$34081 09	\$23228 53	\$1010 06	\$13228 02

* Credit

Town Accountant's Report

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I submit the following report of the Accountant's Department for the calendar year ending Dec. 31, 1961, including the source of all receipts, detail of appropriations and expenditures, statement of trust funds and town debt, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town January 1, 1962.

HELEN M. STEARNS

Town Accountant

RECEIPTS

1957 Taxes		
Real Estate	\$ 134 80	
		\$ 134 80
1958 Taxes		
Personal Property	\$ 17 60	
Real Estate	910 03	
		\$ 927 63
1959 Taxes		
Polls	\$ 32 00	
Personal Property	120 10	
Real Estate	5913 56	
		\$ 6065 66
1960 Taxes		
Polls	\$ 68 00	
Personal Property	471 15	
Real Estate	13738 14	
		\$ 14277 29
1961 Taxes		
Polls	\$ 854 00	
Personal Property	20057 48	
Real Estate	178759 39	
		\$199670 87
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise		
Levy of 1957	\$ 33 79	
Levy of 1958	1533 48	
Levy of 1959	3703 14	
Levy of 1960	14921 24	
Levy of 1961	28329 66	
		\$ 48521 31

Farm Animal Excise

Levy of 1960

\$165 90

Levy of 1961

802 76

\$ 968 66**Accounts Receivable**

General Relief

\$ 649 74

O.A.A. Adm.

839 03

O.A.A.

10529 23

M.A.A. Adm.

490 82

M.A.A.

7629 66

A.D.C. Adm.

253 68

A.D.C.

1761 74

D.A. Adm.

9 93

D.A.

440 90

Veterans Benefits

1852 83

Schools

37 70

\$ 24495 26**Federal Grants**

O.A.A. Adm.

\$ 1678 09

O.A.A.

15142 04

M.A.A. Adm.

981 65

M.A.A.

12051 12

A.D.C. Adm.

507 37

A.D.C.

2369 00

D.A. Adm.

19 86

D.A.

166 00

\$ 32915 13**Payroll Deductions**

Federal Withholding Taxes

\$16134 91

State Withholding Taxes

1605 73

County Retirement

1936 07

Teachers Retirement

3868 33

Mass. Hospital Service

1829 28

\$ 25374 32**Trust Funds Interest**

Elisha Alexander Charity

\$ 70 70

Roselle Evans Worthy Poor

17 02

Geo. F. Morgan Charity

102 09

Belcher Center School

41 24

Belcher Library

327 99

Montague Library

50 00

Dickinson Book

98 28

P.C. Cemeteries, Ctr, So. Mt, & Mt. H.

517 71

P.C. Cemetery, West Northfield	350 48	
P.C. Cemetery, Northfield Farms	127 35	
P.C. Mary Callender	17 02	
P.C. Calvin Stearns	17 02	
Surplus Rev. School Fund	54 46	
		\$ 1791 36
Aid to Highways		
State	\$34826 85	
County	5000 00	
		\$ 39826 85
State		
Loss of Taxes	\$ 875 20	
National Defense	318 92	
Livestock Disease Control	90 02	
School Superintendent	2554 24	
School Aid	39115 66	
Transportation	12274 52	
Vocational Education	186 17	
Tuition and Transportation	237 62	
Library Aid	487 20	
Meals Tax	1893 04	
Corporation Tax	11925 69	
Income Tax	6076 00	
		\$ 76034 28
Collector's Costs	\$ 431 00	
Poll Collection Costs	16 50	
Interest on deferred Taxes	1485 07	
Employers' Fee, State Taxes	19 60	
Rent Town Hall	226 25	
Rent Alexander Hall	16 00	
Licenses Granted	164 00	
Sealer's Fees	93 60	
Nurse's Fees	287 00	
Playground Tuition	15 50	
Library Fines	165 00	
Farmers Exchange Bonus	5 74	
Railroad Fire	24 00	
Dog Licenses Collected for Co.	502 75	
Co. Dog Refund	435 64	
Co. Dog Officer	96 00	
Wild Cat Bounty	30 00	
Road Machinery Fund	10970 50	
O.A.A. Recovery	4355 23	
School Lunch	12861 28	
Trust Funds	247 62	

U.S. Rehabilitation Bond Interest	250 00
Sale of Real Estate Fund Interest	41 28
Insurance	22 28
Village Improvement Society Gift	100 00
Railway Express—Damaged Goods	47 50
Found	10

Refunds

Old Age Assistance	111 60
Medical Aid to Aged	7 50
Mass. Hospital Service	29 36
Civil Defense	18 45

		\$ 166 91
Total Cash Receipts		\$504079 77
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1961		\$139896 65
		\$643976 42

RECAPITULATION

	App.	Pyt.	Bal.
Moderator	\$ 25 00	\$ 25 00	
Moderator's Expense	15 00	3 00	12 00
Selectmen & Welfare Board	1250 00	1250 00	
Selectmen's Expense	400 00	367 98	32 02
Accountant	1000 00	1000 00	
Accountant's Expense	85 00	85 00	
Legal Expense	250 00	250 00	
Treasurer	1000 00	1000 00	
Treasurer's Expense	450 00	450 00	
Tax Collector	1000 00	1000 00	
Tax Collector's Expense	600 00	600 00	
Assessors & Clerk	1700 00	1700 00	
Assessors' Expense	350 00	350 00	
Town Clerk	550 00	550 00	
Town Clerk's Expense	100 00	99 52	48
Election & Registration	1000 00	1000 00	
Planning Bd. Expense	50 00	20 93	29 07
Finance Bd. Expense	25 00	15 00	10 00
Town Hall Maintenance	5000 00	4049 89	950 11
Fire Dept.	5894 33	5894 33	
Fire Dept. Hose & Equipment	1300 00	1292 00	8 00
Fire Dept. Salaries	500 00	500 00	
Hydrants	400 00	400 00	
Waterholes	400 00	372 41	27 59

Maint. Fire Sta. & Garage	1900 00	1492 53	407 47
Public Safety	50 00	50 00	
Sealer of Wgts. & Measures & Exp.	200 00	200 00	
Wire Inspector	50 00		50 00
Dutch Elm Control	2500 00	2483 96	16 04
Insect & Pest Control	1000 00	998 16	1 84
Tree Nursery	400 00	400 00	
Dog Officer	175 00	37 95	137 05
Health	1300 00	940 89	359 11
Nurse & Substitute	3000 00	2950 00	50 00
Nurse's Expense	75 00	9 18	65 82
Nurse's Car Expense	300 00	255 02	44 98
Inspection of Animals	200 00	152 70	47 30
Inspection of Meat & Slaughter	50 00	25 00	25 00
Highway Supt. Expense	137 80	137 80	
Highway Tools	100 00	99 60	40
Highways, Bridges, Railings	4500 00	4194 97	305 03
Highway Chapter 81	23100 00	23100 00	
Highway Chapter 90 Maint.	4500 00	4499 86	14
Highway Chapter 90 Const.	25000 00	25000 00	
Sidewalks	1000 00	984 60	15 40
Street Lights	6636 00	6635 96	04
Hwy Bounds, Surveys, Plans	100 00		100 00
Public Welfare Adm.	3550 00	3550 00	
General Relief	4000 00	1186 51	2813 49
Medical Aid to Aged	13007 50	13007 50	
Old Age Assistance	20001 85	20001 85	
Aid Dependent Children	4000 00	4000 00	
Disability Assistance	2000 00		2000 00
Soldiers' Relief	2750 00	2170 39	579 61
School Committee Salaries	600 00	600 00	
Schools	109324 76	109321 89	2 87
School Fence	443 00	443 00	
P.V.R.S. Capital & Operating	105925 50	105925 50	
Field Library, Nfld Farms	150 00	150 00	
Dickinson Library	6600 00	6600 00	
Damages	300 00	170 00	130 00
Town Reports & Valuation Lists	1713 50	1699 50	14 00
Memorial Day	275 00	223 80	51 20
Insurance	7159 64	6366 79	792 85
Alexander Hall	250 00	250 00	
Clock & Fountain	112 50	108 50	4 00
Interest	300 00		300 00
Protection Tax Title Property	25 00		25 00
Land Taking, Cooper Cave Lot etc.	25 00		25 00

Playground & Athletic Field	400 00	193 70	206 30
Summer Playground	500 00	500 00	
Repairs to Discontinued Sch. Bldgs.	275 00		275 00
Fish for Streams	200 00	200 00	
Fence Viewers & Field Drivers	50 00		50 00
Cemeteries	2600 00	2600 00	
Cemeteries Filing System	94 25		94 25
Fire Station Bonds & Interest	3972 00	3972 00	

Unexpended balances to Revenue			\$ 10058 46
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Machinery Maintenance	8000 00	7999 53	47
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Unexpended balance to Rd. Mach. Fund			47
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Assessors' Map	819 39		819 39
Equalization of Valuation	847 43	157 50	689 93
Civil Defense	483 08	161 90	321 18
Highland Circuit	275 00		275 00

Unexpended balances to 1962			\$ 2105 50
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Refunds 1961 Taxes	175 04	
Refunds Motor Vehicle Excise	1100 41	
Refund A/R O.A.A. Overpyt.	35 43	
Youth Service Bd. to P.V.R.S.	982 08	
Tax Collector's Costs	431 00	
U.S. Grant M.A.A.	8872 88	
U.S. Grant O.A.A. Adm.	2228 99	
U.S. Grant O.A.A. Aid	16269 76	
U.S. Grant A.D.C. Aid	1533 48	
U.S. Grant D.A. Adm.	535 03	
U.S. Grant D.A. Aid	411 70	
Federal Withholding Taxes	16141 07	
State Withholding Taxes	1604 78	
County Retirement	1956 96	
Teachers' Retirement	3868 03	
Mass. Hospital Service	1803 80	
State Audit	1445 30	
State Parks & Reservations	1239 77	
Wild Cat Bounty	30 00	
Co. Dog Officer	96 00	
Veterans' Service Center	914 75	
Co. Retirement System	1780 44	
Co. Tax	15419 31	
Co. Dog Licenses	502 75	
School Lunch	14365 69	

Trust Funds to Savings	8116 10		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund Interest	30 00		
Geo. F. Morgan Charity Fund Interest	575 15		
Roselle Evans Charity Fund Interest	192 00		
Belcher Library Fund Interest	280 51		
Dickinson Book Fund Interest	97 78		
P.C. Ctr., So. Mt. & Mt. H. Cemeteries	448 58		
P.C. Northfield Farms Cemetery	171 59		
P.C. West Northfield Cemetery	273 97		
P.C. Mary H. Callender Lot	25 91		
P.C. Calvin Stearns Lot	23 03		
Rehabilitation Bond interest to Savings	250 00		
Constables Pay & Expense	1475 00	1412 06	62 94
Tree Warden	950 00	930 73	19 27
Tax Title Foreclosure Costs	70 00	68 22	1 78
Unexpended balance to Reserve		\$	83 99
Snow Removal	11597 93	11524 49	73 44
Unexpended balance to Surplus Revenue		\$	73 44
Village Improvement Society Gift	100 00	100 00	
Rlwy Express reimbursement for damaged goods	47 50		47 50
Unexpended balance to 1962		\$	47 50
Total Cash Payments		\$506747 67	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1961		137228 75	
		\$643976 42	

Selectmen's Expense

Appropriation		\$400 00
Association Membership	37 00	
Lawyers' Cooperative Pub. Co.	96 50	
Telephone	106 15	
Supplies	43 33	
Public Safety	10 00	
Stanley Wickey	50 00	
Paul Mayberry	25 00	
	367 98	
Balance to Revenue	32 02	
	\$	400 00

Accountant's Expense

Appropriation	\$	85 00
Binding	35 00	
Supplies	50 00	
		\$ 85 00

Treasurer's Expense

Appropriation	\$	450 00
Association Membership	4 00	
Treasurer's Bond	138 80	
Postage & Supplies	270 87	
Service Maintenance	36 33	
		\$ 450 00

Tax Collector's Expense

Appropriation	\$	600 00
Association Membership	4 00	
Collector's Bonds	277 60	
Postage & Supplies	318 40	
		\$ 600 00

Assessors' Expense

Appropriation	\$	350 00
Association Membership	12 00	
Binding	14 00	
Registry of Deeds	76 80	
Service Maintenance	91 70	
Supplies	155 50	
		\$ 350 00

Equalization of Valuation Program

Balance from 1961	\$	847 43
Clerical	157 50	
Balance to 1962	689 93	
		\$ 847 43

Town Clerk's Expense

Appropriation	\$	100 00
Ass'n Membership	7 50	
Town Clerk's Bond	11 25	
Clerical & Supplies	80 77	
		99 52
Balance to Revenue	0 48	
		\$ 100 00

Election and Registration

Appropriation		\$ 1000 00
Elections	208 00	
Registrations	330 00	
Printing	462 00	
		\$ 1000 00

Planning Board Expense

Appropriation		\$ 50 00
Advertising	20 93	
Balance to Revenue	29 07	
		\$ 50 00

Finance Board Expense

Appropriation		\$ 25 00
Ass'n Membership	15 00	
Balance to Revenue	10 00	
		\$ 25 00

Town Hall Maintenance

Appropriation		\$ 5000 00
Fuel	1631 26	
Electricity	192 83	
Water	12 00	
Com. Public Safety	35 00	
Custodian	1800 00	
Supplies	181 09	
Repairs	197 71	
	4049 89	
Balance to Revenue	950 11	
		\$ 5000 00

Constables and Expense

Appropriation	1200 00	
Reserve Fund	275 00	
		\$ 1475 00
Payroll	1175 93	
Mileage	78 12	
Supplies & Equipment	73 69	
Jas. R. Turner, Deputy Sheriff	84 32	
	1412 06	
Balance to Reserve	62 94	
		\$ 1475 00

Fire Department

Appropriation	5550 00	
Reserve Fund	344 33	
		\$ 5894 33
Tri-State Mutual Aid	10 00	
Payroll	3146 00	
Telephone Service	303 95	
Supplies & Repairs	956 13	
Trucking	1478 25	
		\$ 5894 33

Fire Department Salaries

Appropriation	\$ 500 00
F. M. Dunnell Jr., Chief	250 00
Howard Williams, Forest Warden	150 00
Edmund Morgan, Secretary	100 00
	\$ 500 00

Fire Department Hose and Equipment

Appropriation	\$ 1300 00
James R. Shea, Equipment	1292 00
Balance to Revenue	8 00
	\$ 1300 00

Waterholes

Appropriation	\$ 400 00
Mackin Construction Co.	215 00
G. Ferrante Corp.	157 41
	372 41
Balance to Revenue	27 59
	\$ 400 00

Maintenance Fire Station and Town Garage

Appropriation	\$ 1900 00
Fuel	890 22
Electricity	409 72
Water	17 64
Repairs	24 53
Supplies	49 27
Labor on Lawn	101 15
	1492 53
Balance to Revenue	497 47
	\$ 1900 00

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Appropriation	\$	200 00
Salary	150 00	
Expense	50 00	
	—————\$	200 00

Dutch Elm Control

Appropriation	\$	2500 00
Labor	1780 79	
Town Machinery	417 75	
Hired Machinery	160 00	
Material	125 42	
	—————	
	2483 96	
Balance to Revenue	16 04	
	—————\$	2500 00

Insect and Pest Control

Appropriation	\$	1000 00
Labor	379 11	
Town Machinery	19 75	
Material	599 30	
	—————	
	998 16	
Balance to Revenue	1 84	
	—————\$	1000 00

Tree Warden

Appropriation	800 00	
Reserve Fund	150 00	
	—————\$	950 00
Labor	670 21	
Town Machinery	53 25	
Hired Machinery	46 00	
Material and Supplies	161 27	
	—————	
	930 73	
Balance to Reserve Fund	19 27	
	—————\$	950 00

Tree Nursery

Appropriation	\$	400 00
Labor	219 56	
Town Machinery	12 50	
Hired Machinery	34 00	
Supplies	133 94	
	—————\$	400 00

Dog Officer

Appropriation		\$ 175 00
Labor	28 25	
Mileage	9 70	
	37 95	
Balance to Revenue	137 05	
		\$ 175 00

Civil Defense

Balance from 1960	364 63	
Appropriation	100 00	
Refund	18 45	
		\$ 483 08
Commonwealth of Mass.	100 00	
Morgan Garage	25 00	
Sydlee Electronics	36 90	
	161 90	
Balance to 1962	321 18	
		\$ 483 08

Health

Appropriation		\$ 1300 00
Ass'n Membership	6 00	
Dr. Pacosa-Clinic	100 00	
Town of Barre	121 00	
Vital Statistics	90 00	
Supplies	12 65	
Paul Mayberry	25 00	
Corys Heselton	50 00	
Dumps:		
Abalene Pest Control	112 00	
Hwy Supt.	90 00	
Labor	61 15	
Town Machinery	123 50	
Hired Machinery	72 50	
Sand and Lime	77 09	
		536 24
		940 89
Balance to Revenue	359 11	
		\$ 1300 00

Nurse's Expense

Appropriation	\$	75 00
Telephone	5 40	
Supplies	2 78	
Ass'n Membership	1 00	
	9 18	
Balance to Revenue	65 82	
	\$	75 00

Nurse's Car Expense

Appropriation	\$	300 00
Supplies and Repairs	212 02	
George's Auto Body	40 00	
Registration	3 00	
	255 02	
Balance to Revenue	44 98	
	\$	300 00

Highway Supt. Expense

Appropriation	125 00	
Reserve Fund	12 80	
	\$	137 80
Telephone		137 80

Tools

Appropriation	\$	100 00
Hydraulic Jack Service	34 46	
Chain and Tobacco Cloth and Bar	65 14	
	99 60	
Balance to Revenue	0 40	
	\$	100 00

Machinery Maintenance

Road Machinery Fund	\$	8000 00
Highway Supt.	106 00	
Labor	413 00	
Registrations	15 00	
Unitarian Church-Rental	35 00	
Angell's Automotive Service	161 44	
Avery's Store	15 05	
Barnes Cities Service	20 70	

Clapp's Service	139 49	
F. M. Dunnell, Inc.	1792 49	
Farm Bureau Ass'n	17 58	
Greenfield Farmers' Exchange	224 78	
Graves Equipment	65 10	
Hydraulic Jack Service	32 46	
S. E. Johnson	238 49	
Jordan Motor Sales	17 71	
The Morgan Garage	2387 94	
Neigh's Garage	8 23	
Perkin's Machinery	257 23	
Renfrew's G.M.C.	681 58	
Sears Roebuck	71 08	
Wilfred Smith	548 36	
Spencer Brothers, Inc.	272 39	
The Northfield Hotel Garage	198 36	
Ray Thompson	34 68	
Tenney Farms	18 71	
Whitney Brothers	16 90	
Norman Whitney, Inc.	209 78	
	7999 53	
Balance to Road Machinery Fund	0 47	
		\$ 8000 00

Highway Work, Bridges, Railings

Appropriation	4000 00	
Transfer Chapter 90 Maintenance	500 00	
		\$ 4500 00
Highway Supt.	454 00	
Labor	1910 70	
Town Machinery	752 00	
Hired Machinery	224 75	
Materials	853 52	
	4194 97	
Balance to Revenue	305 03	
		\$ 4500 00

Highway Chapter 81

Appropriation	4950 00	
Surplus Revenue	18150 00	
		\$ 23100 00
Highway Supt.	1722 00	

Labor	6360 29	
Town Machinery	4112 00	
Hired Machinery	1681 50	
Materials	9224 21	
		\$ 23100 00

Highway Chapter 90 Maintenance

Appropriation	2000 00	
Surplus Revenue	4000 00	
		6000 00
Transfer Hwy Work, Bridges, Railings	500 00	
Transfer Surplus Revenue	1000 00	
		1500 00
		\$ 4500 00
Highway Supt.	370 00	
Labor	1324 15	
Town Machinery	705 25	
Hired Machinery	232 50	
Material	1867 96	
		4499 86
Balance to Revenue	0 14	
		\$ 4500 00

Highway Chapter 90 Construction

Appropriation	6250 00	
Surplus Revenue	18750 00	
		\$ 25000 00
Highway Supt.	1268 00	
Labor	5022 50	
Town Machinery	2507 50	
Hired Machinery	10525 95	
Materials	5676 05	
		\$ 25000 00

Sidewalks

Appropriation	\$ 1000 00	
Peter Yarmac	984 60	
Balance to Revenue	15 40	
		\$ 1000 00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	9000 00	
Reserve Fund	97 93	
Transfer Railway Crossing Construction	2500 00	
		\$ 11597 93
Highway Supt.	920 00	
Labor	2841 80	
Town Machinery	2303 00	
Hired Machinery	1692 00	
Hired Machinery, sidewalks	157 50	
Materials	3610 19	
		11524 49
Balance to Surplus Revenue	73 44	
		\$ 11597 93

Public Welfare Administration

Appropriation	3500 00	
Surplus Revenue	50 00	
		\$ 3550 00
Welfare Director	1794 68	
Clerk	923 52	
Telephone and Office Supplies	56 80	
Dr. Cary	50 00	
Northern Franklin Welfare District	675 00	
		\$ 3550 00

USG OAA Administration

Balance from 1960	1453 50	
Receipts 1961	1678 09	
		\$ 3131 59
Welfare Director	955 32	
Clerk	293 04	
Telephone and Office Supplies	37 58	
Dr. Cary	20 00	
Northern Franklin Welfare District	914 97	
Welfare Director Travel	8 08	
		2228 99
Balance to 1962	902 60	
		\$ 3131 59

USG DA Administration

Balance from 1960	515 17	
Receipts 1961	19 86	
		\$ 535 03
Northern Welfare District		535 03

Schools

Appropriation	108644 00	
Balance from 1960	680 76	
		\$109324 76
Teacher's Salaries	72071 75	
Supt. Salary	1959 96	
Office Clerks	622 14	
Janitors	6133 63	
Travel	208 31	
Physician	325 00	
Nurse	700 00	
Transportation	14263 88	
Text Books	1490 32	
Students Supplies	1527 04	
Janitor's Supplies	1163 05	
Fuel	2896 91	
Water and Current	2034 20	
Repairs	1434 19	
New Equipment	203 60	
Sundry	520 95	
Vocational Tuition	303 80	
Vocational Transportation	301 59	
Special Project	523 72	
Special-Title III	637 85	
	109321 89	
Balance to Revenue	2 87	
		\$109324 76

School Lunch

Balance from 1960	2802 93	
Receipts 1961	12861 28	
		\$ 15664 21
Salaries	5121 00	
Food	8386 05	
Repairs	21 90	
Supplies	356 09	
Equipment	29 50	
Reimbursement Check due P.V.R.S.	451 15	
	14365 69	
Balance to 1962	1298 52	
		\$ 15664 21

Dickinson Library

Appropriation		\$ 6600 00
Salaries	4449 88	
Electricity	185 76	
Telephone	71 70	
Fuel	425 39	
Water	12 00	
Repairs	111 07	
Janitors Supplies	26 65	
Books and Magazines	1018 17	
Binding	72 88	
Library Supplies	166 60	
Sundry	59 90	
		\$ 6600 00

Belcher Library Fund Interest

Balance from 1960	134 41	
Receipts 1961	327 99	
		\$ 462 40
Salaries	201 52	
Electricity	18 01	
Telephone	6 35	
Repairs	13 75	
Janitor Supplies	13 49	
Binding	13 84	
Books and Magazine	13 55	
	280 51	
Balance to 1962	181 89	
		\$ 462 40

Dickinson Book Fund Interest

Balance from 1960	90 67	
Receipts 1961	98 28	
		\$ 188 95
Books	97 78	
Balance to 1962	91 17	
		\$ 188 95

Damages

Appropriation		\$ 300 00
County of Franklin	170 00	
Balance to Revenue	130 00	
		\$ 300 00

Town Reports

Appropriations	\$ 1713 50
Printing	1588 50
Postage	111 00
	1699 50
Balance to Revenue	14 00
	\$ 1713 50

Memorial Day

Appropriation	\$ 275 00
Avery's — Flags	64 80
P.V.R.S. Band	50 00
Fairview Gardens — Plants	109 00
	223 80
Balance to Revenue	51 20
	\$ 275 00

Insurance

Appropriation	\$ 7159 64
Workmen's Compensation	2177 45
Buildings	2295 43
Highway Department	727 84
Fire Department	659 24
Constables and Firemen	302 90
Nurse's Car	155 64
Forgery	18 75
Treasurer and Collector	29 54
	6366 79
Balance to Revenue	792 85
	\$ 7159 64

Alexander Hall

Appropriation	\$ 250 00
Janitor	126 00
Supplies	124 00
	\$ 250 00

Clock and Fountain

Appropriation	100 00
Reserve Fund	12 50
	\$ 112 50

Care of Clock	75 00	
Electricity	21 00	
Northfield Water Co.	12 50	
	108 50	
Balance to Revenue	4 00	
	\$	112 50

Tax Title Foreclosure Costs

Appropriation	50 00	
Reserve Fund	20 00	
	\$	70 00
Franklin Registry of Deeds	55 10	
Advertising	13 12	
	68 22	
Balance to Reserve	1 78	
	\$	70 00

Playground and Athletic Field

Appropriation	\$	400 00
Labor	143 50	
Supplies	37 20	
Repairs	13 00	
	193 70	
Balance to Revenue	206 30	
	\$	400 00

Summer Playground

Appropriation	\$	500 00
Salaries	460 00	
Supplies	35 00	
Janitor	5 00	
	\$	500 00

Cemeteries

Appropriation	\$	2600 00
E. Kenney-Labor Northfield Cemetery and Mt. Hermon	1641 33	
M. Flanders-Labor Northfield Cemetery	270 40	
Supplies Northfield Cemetery	70 07	
M. Hammond-Labor Northfield Farms	361 96	
Supplies Northfield Farms	3 65	

O. Stacey-Labor West Northfield	64 40	
C. Lang-Labor West Northfield	35 00	
Mower-Center Cemetery	56 00	
Repairs Center Cemetery	22 19	
H. F. Field-Salary	75 00	
		\$ 2600 00

P.C. Center, South Mountain and Mt. Hermon Cemeteries

Balance from 1960	12 50	
Receipts	517 71	
		\$ 530 21
E. Kenney-Labor Northfield Cemetery	410 93	
Supplies Northfield Cemetery	23 20	
Repairs	3 95	
H. Fisher-Labor South Mountain Cemetery	10 50	
	448 58	
Balance to 1962	81 63	
		\$ 530 21

P.C. Northfield Farms Cemetery

Balance from 1960	44 24	
Receipts	127 35	
		\$ 171 59
Labor	151 99	
Supplies	16 44	
Repairs	3 16	
		\$ 171 59

P.C. West Northfield Cemetery

Balance from 1960	179 36	
Receipts	350 48	
		\$ 529 84
C. Lang-Labor	154 70	
J. Stacey-Labor	44 80	
Mower	49 00	
Supplies	25 47	
	273 97	
Balance to 1962	255 87	
		\$ 529 84

P.C. Mary Callender — Mt. Hermon Cemetery

Balance from 1960	8 89	
Receipts	17 02	
		\$ 25 91
E. Kenney-Labor		25 91

P.C. Calvin Stearns — Center Cemetery

Balance from 1960	6 01	
Receipts	17 02	
		\$ 23 03
E. Kenney-Labor		23 03

Elisha Alexander Charity Interest

Balance from 1960	725 80	
Receipts	70 70	
		\$ 796 50
Charities	30 00	
Balance to 1962	766 50	
		\$ 796 50

Geo. F. Morgan Charity Interest

Balance from 1960	606 06	
Receipts	102 09	
		\$ 708 15
Charities	575 15	
Balance to 1962	133 00	
		\$ 708 15

Roselle Evans Charity Interest

Balance from 1960	202 04	
Receipts	17 02	
		\$ 219 06
Charities	192 00	
Balance to 1962	27 06	
		\$ 219 06

Trust Funds in Custody of Selectmen

Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	\$ 2020 00
Lucretia Holton West Northfield Cemetery Fund	101 00
Flora E. Lane Center Cemetery Fund	202 00
	\$ 2323 00

Balance Sheet, Town of Northfield

Year Ending December 31, 1961

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash	\$137228 75	Payroll Deductions	1339 12
Accounts Receivable		Federal Taxes	395 50
Taxes		County Retirement System	195 40
Levy of 1957	24 00	Teachers Retirement System	326 19
Real Estate	24 00	Blue Cross and Blue Shield	172 92
Levy of 1958			
Real Estate	347 01	Tailings	\$2429 13
Levy of 1959		Trust Fund Income	259 53
Poll		Elisha Alexander Charity	766 50
Personal Property	24 00	Geo. F. Morgan Charity	133 00
Real Estate	8 60	Roselle Evans Charity	27 06
	1396 54	Belcher Center School	113 06
		Belcher Library	181 89
Levy of 1960	1429 14	Montague Library	354 47
Poll		Dickinson Book	91 17
Personal Property	118 00	P.C. Cemetery Funds	81 63
Real Estate	559 80	P.C. West Northfield	255 87
	9533 50		
Levy of 1961	10211 30		2004 65
Poll		Federal Grants	
	212 00	Medical Aid to Aged	

Personal Property	1630 38				Administration	981 65
Real Estate	26406 17				Assistance	3178 24
				28248 55	Old Age Assistance	
Motor Vehicles and Trailer Excise					Administration	902 60
Levy of 1958	870 03				Assistance	21772 04
Levy of 1959	2486 17				Aid to Dependent Children	
Levy of 1960	6522 86				Administration	1044 01
Levy of 1961	9587 52				Assistance	4034 87
				19466 58	Disability Assistance	796 95
Farm Animal Excise						32710 36
Levy of 1961	109 75				OAA Recovery	1525 23
				109 75	Appropriation Balances	
Tax Titles and Possessions					Plotting Map for Assessors	819 39
Tax Titles	7209 66				Equalization of Valuation	
Tax Possessions	1359 34				program	689 93
				8569 00	Civil Defense	321 18
Departmental					Highland Circuit	275 00
Aid to Dependent Children	571 75					2105 50
				571 75	Road Machinery Fund	14355 01
Aid to Highways					School Lunch Fund	1298 52
State	25473 15				Sale of Real Estate Fund	1260 00
County	7750 00				Sale of Cemetery Lots	2044 62
				33223 15	Overestimate 1961—	
Under Estimate 1961					State Parks and Reservations	100 82
County Tax	282 11				Trust Funds	26 20
				282 11	Library Aid	487 20
Due from County					National Defense	318 92
Dog Officer Fees	12 00				Gift — Village Improvement Society	47 50

	12 00	Overlays reserved for Abatements	
		Levy of 1957	24 00
		Levy of 1958	347 01
		Levy of 1959	1429 14
		Levy of 1960	1132 12
		Levy of 1961	3382 97
			6315 24
		Overlay Reserve	9553 85
		Revenue Reserved until Collected	
		Motor Vehicle and Trailer	
		Excise	1946 58
		Farm Animals Excise	109 75
		Tax Title and Possessions	8569 00
		Departmental	571 75
		State and County Aid to	
		Highways	33223 15
			61940 23
		Surplus Revenue	100940 58
			\$239723 09

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$39000 00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	\$39000 00
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TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds		In custody of Treasurer	
In Custody of Treasurer	\$73926 42	Lottie Evans Charity	1112 11
In Custody of Selectmen	2323 00	Roselle Evans Charity	500 00

In Custody of Trustees	11050 58	Geo. F. Morgan Charity	3000 00
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners	203 50	Surplus Revenue School Fund	1600 00
		Belcher Center School	1250 00
		Belcher Library	9739 01
		Dickinson Book Fund	3000 00
		Montague Library	2000 00
		James W. Cowles Cemetery	2000 00
		Belcher Center Cemetery	2000 00
		Calvin Stearns Cemetery	500 00
		Mary Callender Cemetery	500 00
		West Northfield Cemetery	8942 49
		P.C. Cemetery Funds	16392 54
		Post War Rehabilitation	15629 17
		Ina Merriman Library Gift Fund	5761 10
			\$73926 42
		In custody of Selectmen	
		Elisha Alexander Charity	2020 00
		Cemetery P.C. Funds	303 00
			2323 00
		In custody of Trustees	
		Martha Alexander Charity	11050 58
		In custody of Cemetery Commissioners	
		Cemetery P.C. Fund	203 50
			203 50
			\$87503 50

Dickinson Memorial Library Report

Serving as members of the Board of Trustees of the Dickinson Memorial Library for the period 1961-62 were the following: Mrs. Louise M. Reeves, chairman; Mrs. Lillian G. Wells, secretary; Mr. Luman A. Barber, treasurer; Mr. William H. Hawley, chairman of the Book Committee; Mrs. Jean P. Hatheway; and Mr. Donald Q. McCollester.

At the Town Meeting on Monday, March 6, 1961, Mrs. Hatheway and Mr. Hawley were re-elected, each to serve another three-year term.

At the meeting of the Trustees on December 6, 1961, Mrs. Reeves submitted her resignation, to take effect immediately, as she was moving from town early in January 1962. Mrs. Reeves' resignation was accepted with deep regret. She has been a member of the Board of Trustees since November 2, 1949 and has served as chairman since February 6, 1952. Because of her faithful and efficient service during this long period, she is a great loss to the Board of Trustees of the Library and to the Town.

To fill out Mrs. Reeves' term which expires in March 1962, the Selectmen, on the recommendation of the Library Board, have appointed Mrs. Dorothy C. Miller, to serve from January 1, 1962.

The Trustees have continued to meet regularly at the Library on the first Wednesday evening of each month to carry on the responsibilities of the Board for the supervision of the work of the librarians, for the general care and maintenance of the building and grounds, and for the planning and approval of all expenditures made for the work of the Library. At the May meeting a statement of policies, recommended by the Book Committee for improvement in the regulation of the selection and purchases of books, was adopted and put into effect. The Book Committee also instituted a Reading Program for Teen-Agers, which was carried on during the summer months under the supervision of the librarians.

In July of 1961 this Library was awarded one of the State Grants-in-Aid which had been established through a bill passed in the previous January for libraries meeting certain qualifications, to assist them in improving their services. These funds are being used in this Library to build up and improve our book collections.

The Trustees are very pleased to go on record in commending the continued high quality of the service being given by Mrs. Cook, Librarian, and Mrs. Randall, Assistant Librarian.

JEAN P. HATHEWAY

Chairman

LILLIAN G. WELLS

Secretary

Librarian's Report

Circulation of books and magazines:

Adults and juvenile	23502
Bookmobile books	2840
Inter-library loan	2

Total	26344
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Books added by purchase and gift:

Adult	308
Juvenile	221

Total	529
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Books withdrawn from circulation:

Adult and juvenile	387
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Total number in circulation	15535
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Magazines added	8
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Books on loan to other libraries	92
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Books borrowed from State Bookmobile:

Dickinson Library	1612
Other parts of town	936

Total	2548
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Total registrations	976
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Fines turned in to Town Treasurer	\$165.00
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Throughout the school year weekly classes in the use of the library catalog and reference books were held for members of the Girl Scouts and pupils of the sixth grade. Two pupils have given time for one hour each week to work as pages in the library.

Since National Library Week, April 16-22, coincided with the

time for refinishing the floors at the library, it was observed by an "Open House" held on Friday of the previous week. At that time a teen-age reading program for the year was announced.

During the year the Librarians have completed taking inventory of the books in the library.

We deeply appreciate the interest in the library which has prompted the gifts of many magazines and 128 books during the past year.

Last Fall I attended two "in-service training" courses given by the Massachusetts Division of Library Extension which enabled me to pass successfully an examination for certification.

Mrs. Randall and I thank the Trustees for their help and support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EVANGELINE C. COOK

Librarian

Fire Chief's Report

The Northfield Fire Dept. answered a total of 53 calls during the year 1961.

The fire of most serious consequences was of course, at the Podlenski Farm in the center of Town last January.

At this time I want to thank everyone for their cooperation and assistance at such a time when it was really needed. It certainly is very comforting to know that when the odds against you seem so unsurmountable, that everyone is so willing to give of themselves what they did that cold Sunday morning last January.

From the Fire Departments who participated through Tri-State Mutual Aid right down the line to those persons who brought food and warm clothing to our Firemen, I want to thank you sincerely for your help.

In regards to the operation and maintenance of your Fire Department, we have bought the usual amounts of fire hose, boots, coats, and accessories to keep our equipment program on an ascending level.

Much time and consideration has been given to the formulation of specifications for equipping the Reo truck chassis, purchased through our local Civil Defense Agency, for a fire truck. I certainly hope you will give your Fire Department an affirmative vote of confidence at the next regular Town Meeting by voting for the article to provide for the purchase of equipment for the above mentioned truck.

Again, I want to thank everyone for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. DUNNELL, JR.

Fire Chief

Police Report

To the Citizens of Northfield:

The Police Officers of Northfield are of the opinion that an Annual Report would be of interest to our citizens. To the best of our knowledge this will be the first report.

Activities for 1961 are as follows:

Arrests (State & Local Police)	Prowlers	18
Insane person	Family disturbances	12
Lewdness	Miscellaneous calls	27
Unnatural act	Town Hall duty	17
Malicious mischief	Traffic	71
Drunkenness	Patrol	16
License suspension	Court appearance	9
Investigations (Local Police)	Pistol permits	14
Automobile accidents		30

Beginning January 1, 1962 a new system will be used to keep Police records. All Officers will keep a complete report of their calls and investigations, submitting monthly reports to the Chief who will be responsible to maintain a central filing system. These records will then be available to all officers who wish to obtain information that may pertain to their case. With this information available, we feel that our work can be accomplished more thoroughly and efficiently. We feel this will help us to reach our objective, to give the best service possible.

I wish to thank all the Constables and Special Police for the interest they have displayed toward our Community.

Respectfully submitted,

STANLEY WICKEY

Report of Forest Warden

This past year I find that there were very few outdoor fires that got out of control except railroad fires. These were somewhat of a problem. The state and town forest fire wardens are working on this to try to get us some protection from the modern Diesel

engines. Thanks go to the fire department for their prompt response to contain these as quickly and effectively as possible.

There were 7 grass fires, no forest fires, and ten railroad fires. 585 permits were issued for outdoor fires.

I wish to thank the townspeople for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD WILLIAMS

Forest Warden

Tree Warden's Report

I hereby submit my Tree Warden Report for the year 1961.

This past year we removed 20 trees from our streets and highways that were dead or dangerous. Also there were 30 large trees that were trimmed, as well as a number of trees that were trimmed for road clearance and blind corners.

In December we had a couple of bad ice storms which caused quite a bit of damage to the trees. Because of the ice storms it will take majority of the 1962 money to take care of the tree damage.

TREE NURSERY

This spring we transplanted the town trees from the School Street site and my property to the town land known as the Piggott's place, also we planted 375 additional trees which consisted of 100 Sycamore, 50 European Mountain Ash, 25 American Little Leaf Linden, and 200 Scottish Pine 3 year seedlings.

This year 41 trees from the town nursery were planted along our highways and streets. There 25 Golden Weeping Willows, 8 Pin Oak, 6 Flowering Crabs, and 2 Crimson King Maples. They were planted on Mount Hermon Road, Birnam Road, Pine Street, Howard Street, Bridge Street, and Parker Avenue.

Since the 50 European Mountain Ash died, the R. E. A. Express Co. reimbursed us for these trees. At the present time we have an order for 50 more of the same kind of trees which are to be delivered this spring.

Due to the kind generosity of the Village Improvement Society's donation of \$100.00 to the tree nursery fund, we were able to purchase 20 dozen Salva and 20 dozen Sweet Alyssum and also 500 Tulip Bulbs, which were planted in front of the following places; the Northfield Town Hall, Northfield Farms Library, Northfield Fire Station, and East Northfield Historical Society Museum.

In closing, I want to extend a special thank you to the Village Improvement Society for their donation and to thank everyone for their splendid co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON

Tree Warden

Report of the Moth Superintendent

During 1961, 200 diseased Elm Trees were removed and burned. These trees were located as follows:

- 40 Northfield
- 60 West Northfield
- 50 East Northfield
- 50 Northfield Farms

We still have 20 trees left that are diseased. These trees will be removed this coming year.

During this past year, 175 samples were taken and sent to Shade Tree Laboratories for culture. A total of 195 trees were found positive, that should be removed and burned before April 1, 1962. These trees are located as follows:

- 59 Northfield
- 49 West Northfield
- 27 East Northfield
- 60 Northfield Farms

We had an increase in Dutch Elm this year partly due to a better scouting program and also an increase in Dutch Elm itself.

There were 600 gallons of 6% D. D. T. Emulsion used to control the leaf-eating insects in May and June.

JAPANESE BEETLES

There were 1200 gallons of 10% D. D. T. Emulsion and 50 pounds of Milky Disease Spores used to combat Japanese Beetles.

I have to announce that Japanese Beetles has increased this year. It is very spotted. In some places it is very heavily infested and other places there are hardly any.

POISON IVY

There were 1400 gallons of 2-4-d-5T used to control poison ivy along our streets and highways and also where children play, such as baseball diamonds, playgrounds, and swimming places were treated. Private and local property were also covered.

GYPSY MOTH

This year we found two infested areas, little and big Hemlock and Round Mountain.

I called Mr. Edward Lalli of the Department of Natural Resource and another day was spent checking out these areas. This spring we will check and see if spraying will be necessary in the areas.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. John Anderson and Mr. Edward Lalli for letting me have five men from their Pittsfield crew in helping me for a week cutting down the Dutch Elm Trees. I also would like to thank Dr. Malcolm McKenzie and his fine crew of men from Shade Tree Laboratories at the University of Massachusetts, the Western Massachusetts Electric Co., New England Telephone Co., my fellow workers and the towns people for their splendid co-operation in helping me carry out this program.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. BILMON

Moth Superintendent

Board of Health Report

1961 was a healthy year in Northfield according to the cases reported to the Board of Health. It is thought many people do not remember to notify us when they have reportable sicknesses. Reported were: 10 cases of Chicken Pox, 1 case of Mumps and 11 Dog Bite incidents.

The Board of Health assisted in the hospital care of two premature infants to the amount of \$696.15.

Most phases of the proposed Sanitation Code have now been passed by the State and are now state-wide in controlling problems to which previously we had no possible legal support.

This will be a big help in correcting sub-standard living conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

CORYS M. HESELTON, Chairman

Board of Health

Report of Public Health Nurse

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Northfield:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year of 1961.

Twenty-eight children were present at the Well Child Clinic held in June. The number attending this clinic is steadily diminishing — the trend today being to consult a family pediatrician regularly, rather than to rely on a public clinic. No gross defects were found, though two youngsters were referred to Crippled Children Clinic by the doctor.

Another basic course in Civil Defense First Aid was completed this year. Periodic reviews are offered to previous graduates who wish to keep up to date. The advanced course will begin after January.

A fourth grade girl enjoyed a month at Greenfield Health Camp this summer.

Two needy children were aided with dental work through the Cushman fund and one child received correction of his faulty vision, courtesy of the Lion's Club of Greenfield.

A great deal of social work is done such as help with family problems, clinic appointments and referrals to available resources.

Following is a summary of my work:	
Nursing visits on behalf maternity	8
Nursing visits on behalf morbidity	611
Nursing visits on behalf child care	200
Nursing visits on behalf tuberculosis follow-ups	5
Consultations	17
Transportation to doctor, dentist, clinic and hospitals	28
Well Child Clinic	
In-Service lectures	19
Meetings in connection with my work	12

In closing I would like to express appreciation to the many individuals and organizations who offered assistance with my work.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION BILLINGS, R.N.

Public Health Nurse

Civil Defense Director's Report

We have participated in the regular State Test Alerts during the year. The Radio Officer and his assistants have manned the radio at communication exercises as requested.

Thanks to the usual splendid work of Mrs. Glenn Billings and Mrs. George Nelson another First Aid Class of approximately 15 members has been graduated this year, and an advanced course has been set up to be completed early in 1962.

We assisted in manning the Fall Out Shelter which was opened to the public at the Franklin County Fair. In this connection we wish to advise that we have available the latest literature with regard to Fall Out Shelters and home protection for anyone interested in obtaining same.

Mrs. Billings has materially assisted in conferring with the Superintendent of Schools and others with regard to plans in the event of emergency.

Civil Defense is now under the Department of Defense, and they have directed that all communities complete the basic portion of their local Operations Plan without delay. This development will qualify Northfield for participation in all Federal CD assistance programs. We are pleased to report that our Plan is now advanced to the printing stage and the required distribution of the finished product will be made soon.

We wish to particularly thank Lt. Col. Arthur R. Shupe, Sector 4-D Director, for his whole-hearted co-operation in response to various requests to address local organizations, and his assistance with the Northfield Survival Plan, as well as all others who have assisted in Civil Defense during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE F. FIELD

Civil Defense Director

Sealer of Weights and Measures

I have inspected the following scales, weights, measures and meters during the year of 1961.

4 platform scales over 10,000 lbs. (1 had to be repaired)	sealed
6 platform scales — 100-5,000 lbs. (1 adjusted)	sealed
1 beam scale	sealed
9 counter scales	sealed
3 spring scales	sealed
9 computing scales (1 adjusted)	sealed
1 personal scale	sealed
1 prescription scale	sealed
15 avoirdupois weights (1 condemned)	sealed
1 apothecary weigh	sealed
8 metric weights	sealed
3 liquid measures	sealed
27 gas measuring pumps (6 had to be adjusted)	sealed
13 oil measuring pumps (1 had to be adjusted)	sealed
2 kerosene pumps (no. of stops)	sealed
3 meters (vehicle tank) (1 condemned)	sealed

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK J. ROCKWELL

Sealer

Cemetery Commissioners' Report

Northfield's Cemeteries have received their usual care during 1961.

The fence at Northfield Farms Cemetery has been painted and repaired.

Through the co-operation of the Tree Warden Collier Cemetery which was cleared during 1960 was sprayed to control brush growth.

During the coming year it is proposed to paint the picket fence at W. Northfield Cemetery, and also to paint and repair the picket fence at Mt. Hermon Cemetery.

Cemetery expenditures may be found in Town Accountant's report.

We wish to report the following receipts during 1961.

From Estate of May B. Rankin (Maureen R. Quittmeyer)

For ½ Lot #317 in Center Cemetery \$ 15 00

For Perpetual Care of same 100 00

From Murray M. Hammond

For ½ Lot #23¾ in Northfield Farms Cemetery 15 00

From Arline S. Gonyea

For ½ Lot #189 in West Northfield Cemetery 15 00

From Joseph Rosborough

For ½ Lot #189 in West Northfield Cemetery 15 00

From Pearl G. Webster

For ½ Lot #506¼ in Center Cemetery 15 00

From Jane E. Nunn, Springfield, Mass.

For Transfer of Deed for Lot #5 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery 2 00

From Rosalie A. Cembalisky

For Lot #40 in Mt. Hermon Cemetery 25 00

From George N. Kidder Estate

For Perpetual Care of Lot #456 in Center Cemetery 500 00

Total \$ 702 00

Respectfully submitted,

MURRAY M. HAMMOND

OWEN STACEY

HORACE F. FIELD

Cemetery Commissioners

Finance Committee Report

The Finance Committee organized for the year with Roger M. Greenwood as chairman and Lester P. White as secretary. The committee met eight times during the year to consider budget requests and to confer on other matters which properly came to its attention.

Transfers from the \$3000 Reserve Fund were authorized as follows:

April 3, 1961

Snow Removal Account	\$ 97 93
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July 12

Street Lighting Account	50 00
Pioneer Valley School Account	0 04
Clock and Fountain Account	12 50

November 30

Cost of erecting new steel fence on school property to replace one lost at time of Podlenski fire	443 00
Constables Pay and Expense Account	275 00

December 13

Tax Title Foreclosures Account	20 00
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December 28

Tree Wardens Account	150 00
Highway Supt's. Account	12 80

January 4, 1962

Fire Dept. Operating Account	320 13
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Total	\$1381 40
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Balance	\$1618 60
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Finance Committee Expense Account	\$ 25 00
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No expenses

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER M. GREENWOOD, Chr.

LESTER P. WHITE, Sec.

WILLIS K. PARKER

ALBERT W. STOMPE

JOHN F. SMITH

PAUL THOMPSON

Finance Committee

Veterans' Agent Report

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Northfield, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is a report of the Central Franklin County District Veterans Service Center and the Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield for the year 1961.

1. Active Service Problems	50
2. Bonus	14
3. Compensation	95
4. Death Benefits	267
5. Discharges	103
6. Education	32
7. Employment	241
8. Finance	569
9. Housing	29
10. Insurance	103
11. Legal	108
12. Loans	59
13. Medical	520
14. Notarizations	21
15. Pension	320
16. Photostats	5777
17. Recordings	31
18. Selective Service	118
19. Social Security	79
20. Taxes	498
21. Veterans Benefits	6335
22. Vital Statistics	158
23. Unclassified	627

Total Contacts	16154
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The figures above represent contacts for all the former servicemen and women in the various communities comprising the district.

The Veterans Benefits Department of the Town of Northfield provided financial assistance to six families representing 17 persons during the year 1961. Five of these cases were aided on a temporary basis in the form of supplemental grants over a limited period of unemployment or illness. The sole permanent

case will continue to require assistance in 1962. The expenditures for the year amounted to \$2182.14 and it is estimated that the sum of \$1091.07 will be reimbursed to the community by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts under existing regulations.

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. GAMELIN

Director of Veterans Services

Northfield Water Company

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1961

Water Sales	4559 71	
Interest Income	100 59	
		\$ 4660 30
Operating costs:		
Operating expenses	2144 79	
Depreciation	578 52	
Payroll taxes	57 00	
Town taxes	680 78	
State franchise tax	59 51	
Federal income tax	341 91	
		3862 51
Income before Dividends		797 79
Dividends Paid		630 00
Balance to Surplus		\$ 167 79

Dog Officer Report for 1961

8 Dogs confined
8 Dogs destroyed
9 Miscellaneous calls

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. WHITNEY

Dog Officer

Playground Committee Report

Fulfilling the need for part time summer recreation for Northfield children, the playground program proved increasingly popular and worth while for the fourth successive summer. Attracting between 50 and 60 children each day and a total registration of approximately 120, the program extended for the usual four-week period from July 5 through August 2. According to established practice, the program was designed for older children on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and for younger children on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and ran from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon daily.

Individual and group games designed to develop skills in running, jumping, and throwing, arts and crafts, special projects, and special programs and contests constituted the daily programs. Besides the physical development, the playground program seeks to develop group cooperation, democratic participation, and leadership.

For the second summer the program was under the capable direction of Harold I. Wyman, assisted by Mrs. Jean Siano, Brenda Slater, Gretchen Hammond, and Lyle Waaser.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. HAWLEY, Chairman
ELIZABETH D. SCOTT, Secretary
DOROTHY M. HAMMOND

Playground Committee

Report of the Planning Board

The Planning Board has held a number of very active meetings this year.

We have revised the proposed by-laws and they have been unofficially accepted by Mr. Kirby, Assistant Planning Engineer.

Member of the Board attended a Civic Council meeting, at which the proposed by-laws were discussed. The Council voted to accept them with commendation and approval.

A public hearing was held on November 20, 1961 with very few people present.

A special Town meeting was held December 12, 1961 to vote on these by-laws. We feel that there was a great amount of misunderstanding at this meeting and we hope to clarify the issues more fully at the Annual Town Meeting. A paper ballot showed 151 votes with 83 negative and 68 affirmative.

The Business area has been extended as shown on the map.

It is hoped the inhabitants of the Town will understand that the Board does not wish to take away their individual rights, but to protect their property and the Town from unsightly buildings and anything that is noxious to the Town.

Any and all grievances can be taken up with the Board of Appeals.

Surrounding towns are accepting a zoning law.

The new Route 91 passes not far from the Town, which could mean new growth in our community in the near future. These laws are for the future protection as well as the present. New building and expansion is invited, but without zoning, undesirable shacks, dumps, unsightly places could crop up anywhere in the Town, unless there is a by-law stating certain requirements. It is up to all voters to protect the Town and keep it beautiful and welfare expense down.

At the last Town Meeting we were requested to have a report on the sewerage problem. This report will be presented at the Town Meeting.

Mr. Iantosca, from the Department of Health, University of Mass., met with the Planning Board and suggested that we engage a competent engineer to survey the effected parts of the Town and give a preliminary report. We can take no further action until we receive this report.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. WILTON DEAN

GORDON MOODY

PERCY GOODSPEED

HARVEY HATHEWAY

AGNES HAMMOND

Planning Committee

Survey of Sewage Disposal in Northfield

The Planning Board was requested at the last annual town meeting to make a survey of the sewer situation in Northfield and report at a later town meeting. There were several reasons for this request. Among them, the fact that the State Department of Public Health is requiring all towns bordering on the Connecticut river to treat any sewage that is being emptied into the river. The Northfield Schools have several outlets into the river and are planning a sewage disposal plant for one of the outlets to be built soon. A health problem is developing in portions of the town where septic tanks are being used where the soil is being saturated with sewage. Better surface drainage in certain areas might help the problem and make new land available for real estate development, thereby possibly reducing taxes.

At present in Northfield there are a number of separate systems disposing of sewage:

1. The Northfield School for Girls has one sewage system draining the campus, Moody Street, Pine Street, Winchester Road, Birnam Road and part of Main Street, apparently draining into the river with five outlets.

2. A private system drains part of Highland Avenue and Main Street on the east side north of the Haack residence and empties into the Northfield Schools sewer at the corner of Pine Street.

3. The Northfield Hotel has a sewer draining into Mill brook.

4. A remnant of the old center school sewer system runs down Meadow Street and serves houses in that area.

5. Another sewer runs down Parker Avenue and empties into a swampy area north of the cemetery. It might be noted that the Town already owns land here that could possibly be used for a sewage disposal plant.

6. Much of the rest of the town have private septic tanks.

A study of topographical and soil maps of the area of North-

field south of the Congregational Church to the junction of routes 10 and 63 shows but about 5 feet variation in levels, and suggests to our committee the possibility of a sewer system being built to run roughly between Main Street and East Street north or south to empty in the vicinity of either Mill brook on the north or the brook south of Carroll Miller's on the south, serving the houses in the Main Street and East Street areas where the septic tank problem is most acute. A number of other possibilities and variations for a sewer system have been studied and discussed in our committee and with Mr. Angelo Iantosca of the State Division of Sanitary Engineering who has provided us with a detailed plan of study for setting up a sewage system in a town. The first requirement in such a study is a survey by a competent sanitary engineer, and usually about \$500.00 is required for the preliminary survey. We recommend appropriating such a sum.

THE PLANNING BOARD

DR. WILTON DEAN

GORDON MOODY

PERCY GOODSPEED

HARVEY HATHEWAY

AGNES HAMMOND

Highway Department Report

Chapter 90 Construction for this year was confined to the Gulf Road where new slopes were cut and an extensive amount of ledge was removed.

Berms were constructed in lieu of guard rail for some 2000 feet, the savings reflected were put into blasting operations in order to gain all the distance possible. Over 600 feet of sub drain was installed to protect as much of the erosion as possible along the westerly side of the road. About 900 feet of the road has been sealed, leaving about 1100 feet to surface seal in the spring.

Under Chapter 90 improvement about a half mile of old wooden railings were removed west of Schell Bridge on Route 142 and new concrete posts were installed. The road was resurfaced for this same distance.

Two leach basins have been installed on the Mt. Hermon Road, in the West Northfield playground area, to relieve some of the water which accumulates along this road.

Considerable permanent work has been accomplished at the easterly end of South Mountain Road on the hill just west of the Starkey place. This relocation work consisting of widening, straightening and improving grades on these hills and will also be surface treated as soon as the work can be completed under the Chapter 81 permanent program.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. WHITE

Superintendent of Streets

School Committee Report

ORGANIZATION FOR YEAR 1961

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Evelyn U. True, Chairman	Term expires 1964
Alvin H. Scott	Term expires 1962
Gilbert Stacy, Secretary	Term expires 1963

Meeting of the School Committee

The regular meetings of the School Committee are held on the third Friday of each month, except July and August at 8 P.M. at the Center School.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

F. Sumner Turner

Dartmouth A. B. — Harvard M. Ed.

Boston University — University of Massachusetts

Office Pioneer Valley Regional School

Tel. 757

SCHOOL SECRETARIES

Madelyn J. Page

Harriet E. Wilmarth

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

F. Wilton Dean, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSE

Marian C. Billings, R.N.

SCHOOL CALENDAR (1961-1962)

Schools open January 2, 1962	Close February 16, 1962
Schools open February 26, 1962	Close April 13, 1962
Schools open April 23, 1962	Close June 15, 1962
Schools open September 5, 1962	Close December 21, 1962
Schools open January 2, 1963	Close February 15, 1963

Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and Citizens of Northfield:

I am pleased to present herewith my fourteenth annual report dealing with the progress made in the public school during the year 1961. This is the 225th report on public education in the Town of Northfield.

ENROLLMENTS

The grade assignment was continued as followed last year, namely; a kindergarten meeting with half of the youngsters in the morning and the other half of the youngsters in the afternoon, and two sections of each grade. The enrollment by grade and section was as follows as of December 22, 1961:

Kindergarten	41
Grade one	42
Grade two	32
Grade three	56
Grade four	44
Grade five	46
Grade six	65

Total	326
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The enrollment of the various rooms was as follows:

Kindergarten (Smithers)	41
Grade one (Bolton)	20
Grade one (Thomas)	22
Grade two (Haack)	16
Grade two (North)	16
Grade three (Stebbins)	27
Grade three (Kaufold)	29
Grade four (Sheldon)	22
Grade four (Miles)	22
Grade five (Parker)	24
Grade five (Barry)	22
Grade six (Moran)	33
Grade six (Colby)	32

Total	326
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Last year it was the fifth grade that was oversized. This year that same group has moved on to Grade 6. Next year it will be sent to Pioneer Valley Regional School. A study of the remaining figures show that, barring some great change, the present arrangement should be ample for the foreseeable future.

Teachers Withdrawals

Mr. Harold N. Hedges, Jr.	June, 30, 1961
Mr. John A. Peters	June 30, 1961

Appointments

Mr. Paul C. Deacon	September 1, 1961
Tufts University, B.A.	
Boston University, M.Ed.	
Mr. Robert J. Colby	September 1, 1961
Holy Cross College, B.S.	
Worcester State Teachers College	

Once again this year the turnover of teachers was kept to a minimum. Constant changing of Principal and teachers destroys the continuity of program and studies. Likewise, the knowledge of homes, parents and pupils can only come from continued service. Splendid facilities add much to the educational program but the mainstay of good education is still good teachers.

Repairs and Improvements

Much time and money was spent in attempting to repair and improve the heating system in the former High School building. This system is still hand fired, which in itself creates many problems.

One hundred and sixty Geocoustic tiles were affixed to the walls and ceiling of the cafeteria. This has made a tremendous improvement in sound control of this area. As you know, in our cafeteria there is no division of kitchen and the eating area. This sound control has done much to quiet both areas.

Reading

Mr. Deacon and the teachers of the upper three grades have, with much study, improved our version of the Joplin plan of reading. A new card to report progress in reading has been devised. This should enable parents to better follow the child's progress and be able to lend more cooperation to the program. When this program is fully evolved I feel that more children will read with greater ease and understanding. As reading is basic to most studies the ability to read should be developed to the fullest degree for every pupil.

School Cafeteria

During the year 40,569 student lunches, 1,433 adult lunches and 17,751 additional bottles of milk were served. The State

Department of School Lunches has many favorable comments to make concerning our lunch program. This continued success and the high pupil participation can be attributed to the fine work of our cafeteria personnel, Mrs. Minnie Huber, Mrs. Esther Clough and Mrs. Mildred Aldrich.

Supervisors

Adding much to the enrichment of our school program is the splendid work of our supervisors — Music — Miss Phyllis Drew; Instrumental Music — Mr. Eugene Gancarz; Art — Mrs. Nathalie Turner; Physical Education — Mrs. Lois A. Humphrey and Mr. Ralph Martino. In order that our children may be capable of facing this complex adult world we must, to the best of our facilities and abilities, educate and develop the whole child, his many talents and understandings.

Finances

During 1961 the cost of public education in Northfield was \$108,640.35 and Northfield's share of the Pioneer Valley Regional School operational cost was \$103,935.71. making a total of \$212,576.06. The reimbursements paid to the town and Northfield's share of reimbursements paid directly to the Pioneer Valley Regional School was \$73,705.10. This leaves a net cost of \$138,870.96 for the year 1961. This means a per pupil cost of \$254.81.

Usually at this time a comparison is drawn between Northfield's cost and the cost of similar school operations and, also, towns of this area. Unfortunately, those figures are not available. When such a study is made it will be brought before the School Committee for study and release to the press.

The reimbursements for 1962 have been estimated as follows:

Chapter 70 as amended 1948	\$37255 66
Transportation	13200 00
Vocational Tuition	126 34
Vocational Transportation	105 94
State Wards	238 00
Superintendent's salary and travel	1265 98
Interest, School Surplus Fund	54 56
Total	\$52246 48

I invite you to study with care the reports of the School Personnel for a more detailed description of the activities of the school.

Public education is a cooperative effort of School Administrators, Teachers, Supervisors, Pupils, Parents, other School Personnel and the community as a whole. Those of us whose daily task is education invite you to visit our schools, learn of the varied program, notice the gamut of problems and we welcome your observations and suggestions. You can best judge your schools by seeing them in action.

This successful year just past is the result of the untiring efforts and cooperation of the School Committee, Principal, Teachers, Supervisors, other School Personnel, Pupils, Parents and Townspeople. I thank each one for his help and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMNER TURNER

Superintendent of Schools

Report of School Organization

CENTER SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated
Paul C. Deacon	Principal	Tufts University, B.A. Boston University, M.Ed.
Madeline A. Smithers	Kindergarten	Boston University, B.A. Hartford Seminary Foundation, M.A. *Leslie College
Ruth W. Bolton	Grade 1	Fitchburg Normal School *University Extension
Dorothea B. Thomas	Grade 1	Keene Teachers College *University of Vermont *University Extension *Springfield College
Virginia S. Haack	Grade 2	Stevens Hoboken Academy *Leslie College *Berlitz School of Language *Columbia University *University Extension *University of Maryland
Ruby North	Grade 2	Bay Path Institute *Greenfield Commercial School *Fitchburg Normal School

Ruth Stebbins	Grade 3	Lowell Teachers College, B.S.
Allison K. Kaufhold	Grade 3	Michigan State College, B.S. *University of Massachusetts
Catherine Sheldon	Grade 4	Fitchburg Normal School
Judith E. Miles	Grade 4	No. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E.
Evelyn H. Parker	Grade 5	No. Adams State Teachers College, B.S.E. *Boston University
Janet S. Barry	Grade 5	North Adams Normal School *North Adams State Teachers College
Ernest Moran	Grade 6	Keene Teachers College, B.E.
Robert J. Colby	Grade 6	Holy Cross College, B.S. *Worcester State Teachers College
Marian C. Billings	Nurse	Franklin County Public Hospital, R.N.
Nathalie Turner	Art Supervisor	Boston Museum of Fine Arts School Tufts University, B.F.A. *University of Massachusetts
Phyllis Drew	Music Supervisor	Crane School of Music *New York University
Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music	Boston University, B.M., M.M.
Lois A. Humphrey	Physical Education	Sargent College B.U., B.S. *Springfield College
Ralph Martino	Physical Education	Springfield College, B.S. *attended without graduation

School Custodians

William Ross

Roger Reed

School Lunch

Mrs. Minnie Huber

Mrs. Esther Clough

Mrs. Mildred Aldrich

SCHOOL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

	Appn. 1961	Spent 1961	Recommend 1962
Superintendent's Salary	\$2053 00	\$1959 96	\$2156 00
Out-of-State travel	35 00	28 31	35 00
Administrative Expense	180 00	180 00	180 00
Clerk	630 00	622 14	650 00
Salaries, Teachers	69000 00	68765 67	71382 00
Supervisor, Music	2268 00	1927 44	2268 00
Supervisor, Art	953 00	928 64	1003 00
Supervisor, Penmanship	500 00	450 00	500 00
Textbooks	1500 00	1525 52	1500 00
Supplies, Student	1200 00	1527 04	1500 00
Supplies, Janitor	1000 00	1176 58	1000 00
Salaries, Janitor	5925 00	6120 88	6475 00
Fuel	3100 00	2896 91	3100 00
Water and Current	1500 00	2034 20	1661 00
Repairs	750 00	882 32	1000 00
New Equipment	500 00	124 48	500 00
Physician	350 00	325 00	350 00
Nurse	700 00	700 00	740 00
Tuition Vocational	200 00	303 80	300 00
Transportation	14700 00	14352 09	15000 00
Transportation, Vocational	100 00	213 38	200 00
Sundry Education	500 00	469 18	500 00
Special Projects	1000 00	1126 81	1000 00
Totals	\$108644 00	\$108640 35	\$113000 00
Returned to Town Treasury		\$ 3 65	
Title III account:			
Amount encumbered from 1960		\$680 76	
Expended in 1961		637 85	
Balance		\$ 42 91	

NET COST OF SCHOOLS IN 1961

Expenditures (Elementary School)	\$108640 35
Expenditures Pioneer Valley Regional School ((Northfield's Share)	103935 71
	\$212576 06
State of Massachusetts, Reimbursements paid to Town of Northfield:	
Chapter 70 as amended 1948	37255 66
Vocational tuition	95 42
Transportation	12274 52
Vocational transportation	90 75
State Wards	237 62
Supt. Salary and travel	1265 98
Interest, School Surplus Fund	54 46
	51274 41
Reimbursement paid to Pioneer Valley Regional School (Northfield's Share)	22430 78
Total Reimbursements	\$ 73705 19
Net Cost of Education, 1961	\$138870 87

STATE AID AND NET COST OF EDUCATION

Year	Total Costs	Reimburse- ments	%	Net Cost	Net Cost Per Pupils	Pupil
1958	\$178311 24	\$63572 89	35.6	\$114738 35	538	\$213 27
1959	188590 69	75055 69	39.7	113535 13	538	211 03
1960	204678 46	76081 24	37.1	128597 22	550	233 81
1961	212576 06	73705 19	34.7	138870 87	545	254 81

CENTER SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM FINANCIAL REPORT

January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

Net Worth (Cash, Inventory, Claims) Jan. 1, 1961	\$3154 73
Cash Balance	\$1927 93
Receipts:	
Student Lunches	\$8113 20
Adult Lunches	429 90
Milk	518 66
Government Reimb.	3799 09
Other	15
Total Receipts	\$12861 00
Total Cash	\$14789 01

Disbursements:

Food	\$7949 97	
Labor	5121 00	
Other	522 65	
Total Disbursements		\$13793 62
Cash Balance		\$995 39
Cash Balance	\$995 39	
Inventory	395 52	
U.S.D.A. Claims	1316 22	
Net worth December 31, 1961		\$2707 13

REPORT ON SCHOOL CENSUS
(October 1, 1961)

	Boys	Girls	Total
Between ages 0 and 5	101	102	203
Between ages 5 and 7	46	42	88
Between ages 7 and 14	161	174	335
Between ages 14 and 16	52	47	99
	360	365	725

Enrollment by Grades—October 1, 1961

Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Boys	20	25	16	26	22	19	37	167
Girls	23	17	20	32	21	28	26	164
Total	43	42	36	58	43	47	63	331

Resident Enrollment by Schools

	Boys	Girls	Total
Center School	167	164	331
Pioneer Valley Regional School	116	103	219
Hartford School for Deaf	1		1
State Institution		1	1
Bement	2	2	4
Austine School for Deaf		1	1
Brattleboro High School	1		1
Winchester, N. H.		1	1
So. Windsor, Conn.		1	1
Greenfield Vocational	1		1
Northfield School for Girls		17	17
Mt. Hermon	14		14
Cushing Academy		2	2
At home	1		1
	303	292	595

Report of Principal

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Northfield School Committee:

It is with some degree of difficulty that I submit this, my first annual report, to you having been associated with the Northfield School System for only four months.

This September saw only one faculty change and a promotion. Mr. Robert Colby was hired to teach grade six to replace Mr. John Peters who accepted a teaching position at Pioneer Valley Regional School; and Mr. Ernest Moran, teacher in grade six for the past three years, was given the additional responsibilities of assistant principal.

In addition to these faculty changes, Mr. William Ross, of Northfield, was hired as custodian upon the retirement of Mr. John Spindler.

The reading program initiated last year has undergone some minor changes which we hope will improve it. Most note-worthy of these is a new report card which we hope will be more concise and informative to parents.

During National Education Week, an "open-house" was held in conjunction with the P.T.A. This program was most heartily received. One of the highlights of the evening was an opportunity for parents to sign up for a private, after school conference with the teacher. It displeases me to report that although requests for such an opportunity have been many, response on the part of parents was rather poor.

We are trying to make greater use of the assembly hall in the old building by using this as a combination art room, audio-visual center, and a large group classroom. Although there are still some problems to be overcome in this varied usage, it has met with good success.

We, at the Northfield Elementary School, feel that education is an important part of a child's life and the future of the community. To this end we seek and appreciate the help, criticism, and support of parents or any interested persons to make our job more thorough.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Turner, the School Committee, and the entire staff for the help they have given me in acclimatizing to my new position. I hope our association together will be long and pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL C. DEACON

Principal

Report of the Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of Northfield:

May I submit a report of the music program.

Because of the cooperative efforts of the elementary teachers, results in music education are becoming more and more apparent in all schools.

Two-thirds of the boys and girls from grades four through six are singing in special glee clubs which meet one-half hour each week. This enrollment will increase. An activity of this kind gives a large number of children the satisfaction of a more finished performance and is of lasting value in the life of an individual.

Christmas programs were given in all schools.

Music week was observed with festivals in which all schools were represented. Gill School performed Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pinafore." The Senior High Glee Club took part in the Western Massachusetts festival at Greenfield. The Junior High entertained the Belchertown Junior High singing group. There were various other programs throughout the year.

Several pianos have been tuned. A new piano has been purchased for the Regional School music room.

New books were obtained for Leyden, Warwick, Bernardston and Gill, as well as material for the Regional School.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS DREW,

Music Supervisor

Report of the Art Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of Northfield:

Again it is my pleasure to report on the progress made by the Art program in the Northfield school. Specifically, projects have been planned and completed to teach drawing, design, color harmony and improved personal hand skills. Yet more important

than these goals are the far-reaching effects of an art program—pleasure in achievement, the creation of something satisfying, the development of personal taste and the understanding that art is as integral to everyday life as buying clothes or hanging pictures on the walls. These are the important values whose roots are nurtured in a school art program.

A program's success depends on the teachers who support the activities and enthusiasms of the children between visits of the supervisor. I am honored to work with teachers of the highest professional calibre, who have supported projects varying from fingerpaints and paste projects to murals and window dressing. They have remained undaunted by the demands I have made on their patience and are unhesitatingly loyal even when the purpose behind a project seems obscure.

Student interest is the difference between a task and a joy—when attempting to teach an intangible value such as art.

Children's warm hearted welcome of every project and their complete cooperation have made my plans and their fulfillment a sincere pleasure. Frequently I have seen student's art work prominently displayed in homes or on their windows. This is a tribute to the students, to the art program and to the parents who understand a youth's blossoming pride in personal achievement.

I believe that a prime factor in a good learning experience is pleasure. The basic purpose of our art program is the development of an understanding by the student, that Art in all of its forms is enjoyable. This knowledge produces easily evaluated results yet the final benefits are incalculable.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. NATHALIE TURNER

Art Supervisor

Report of the School Physician

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of Northfield:

Physical examinations have been given to all new pupils, to those in kindergarten and the first grade and certain other grades during this past year. A preschool clinic for those entering kindergarten was also conducted in the spring. Fewer defects than usual were found except for the usual number of carious teeth.

A large part of my activity as school physician is examining school children after illnesses to see if they are able to return to school. This is mostly routine, as after contagious diseases, but problems occasionally arise in connection with the return to school of pupils who have been seriously ill, who are over any danger of contagion, and are able to sit at a desk and study, but are not yet strong enough to risk exposure to inclement weather at recess time. I feel that if arrangements can be made to keep them inside during recess time, they can return to school much earlier and miss fewer lessons. I am happy to report better cooperation in this regard this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WILTON DEAN, M. D.

School Physician

Report of the School Nurse

To the Superintendent of School and the School Committee of Northfield:

I herewith submit a report of my work from January 1, 1961 through December 31, 1961.

Routine physical examinations on all new students as well as those of grades two and five were completed in the fall. As usual, carious teeth accounted for the majority of defects found. In spite of an active dental program the care of teeth remains our greatest problem.

A few children have either social or behavior problems and these youngsters have been referred to Mental Health Center where each is undergoing therapy.

The annual pre-school clinic was held in May with thirty children and parents attending. Girl Scouts and volunteer members of Fortnightly assisted the school nurse.

For the third consecutive year the Kiwanis Club provided tooth paste and brushes for distribution to pupils in kindergarten. This is a worthwhile project, eagerly anticipated by the children as well as painlessly starting this group on the dental program. Figures compiled in September 1960 point out the fact that 62% of pupils have had dental work completed.

Girls in grades five and six, along with their mothers were invited to a discussion and movie on hygiene.

All children were weighed and measured twice during the school year. Any marked change was discussed with the parents.

Of the three hundred twenty nine children to whom vision tests were given sixteen failed and were referred to ophthalmologists. It is interesting to note the majority of failures occurred in grade three.

Hearing tests were given to the same number of children with only three failing the tests.

Three hundred four children were treated at school for minor injuries and home visits made whenever necessary. Routine inspections were made of 658 children and several classroom talks were given, on invitation.

Again I would like to thank all school personnel for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. BILLINGS, R. N.

Report of the Athletic Field

Appropriation			\$400 00
Expenditures:			
Labor:			
Roger Reed	\$60 00		
Jerry Scott	52 50		
Walter Herrick	15 00		
Walter Shaw	16 00		
		\$143 50	
Supplies:			
J. L. Dunnell	3 30		
Spencer Bros.	8 90		
Morgan's Garage	5 00		
		\$17 20	
Repairs:			
S. E. Johnson	25 00		
Clapp's Service	8 00		
		\$33 00	
			\$193 70
Balance			\$206 30

Pioneer Valley Regional School

District Report

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Albert H. Stoddard, Jr., Chairman	Warwick
Robert P. Barnes, Vice Chairman	Northfield
Mrs. Anna M. Wilcox	Bernardston
Mr. Richard L. Tubbs	Bernardston
Mr. Wendell E. Streeter	Bernardston
Mrs. Carolyn Parenteau	Northfield
Mr. Alvin H. Scott	Northfield
Mr. Charles A. Morse	Warwick
Mrs. Adele Gillespie	Warwick
Mr. Harold Johnson	Leyden
Mrs. Dorothy Howes	Leyden
Mrs. Marion Zimmerman	Leyden

To the Pioneer Valley Regional School Committee and Citizens of Bernardston, Leyden, Northfield and Warwick:

I am pleased to present the fifth report of the operations and accomplishments of the Pioneer Valley Regional School. We are finding that the building facilities are expanding with the increasing numbers. The vast majority of our pupils engage in one form or another of extra curricular activity. Football as a major sport was played with a five game schedule. This coming fall will see a full eight game schedule. I urge you to read carefully the report of the Principal and Supervisors to note a detailed listing of the advancements made in the curriculum and academic offerings.

The citizens of the several towns make considerable use of the buildings on evenings and weekends. The Evening Practical Arts have averaged four courses per semester.

This year the school experienced the largest turnover in the faculty since the opening of the school. This was occasioned by a varied number of reasons most of which were beyond the control of the school. On December 18th the State Department of Education listed ninety-four teaching vacancies in the Commonwealth. This has never been before late in March. It is indicative of the coming scarcity of good teachers. Good facilities greatly help the operation of a fine school, but these fine facilities must

be handled by an equally fine faculty and administration to produce an outstanding school. The School Committee must do everything possible to attract and retain good teachers. The salary schedule must be carefully studied so that a good teacher is not tempted to leave and if he does so, can only be replaced by a poorer teacher at a greater salary.

CHANGES IN TEACHING PERSONNEL

WITHDRAWALS

Mr. Conrad Bayley	June, 1961
Mr. Raymond F. Bender	June, 1961
Mrs. Fredericka Fellows	June, 1961
Mr. Nicholas Kokkalis	June, 1961
Miss Evelyn Lawley	June, 1961
Mr. Richard W. Nerbonne	June, 1961
Mr. Donald Oberacker	June, 1961
Mr. Robert Upham	June, 1961

APPOINTMENTS

Miss Nancy L. Blanchard	September, 1961
Mr. Francis A. DeGrenier	September, 1961
Mr. Paul F. Goss	September, 1961
Mr. John A. Hogan	September, 1961
Mr. John McHugh	September, 1961
Mr. Ralph Martino	September, 1961
Mr. William A. Nesbitt	September, 1961
Mr. John A. Peters	September, 1961
Mr. Leslie C. Turner	September, 1961

The educational backgrounds and assignments of these new teachers may be found in the list of the faculty.

Miss Evelyn G. Lawley

In Northfield and later Pioneer Valley Regional School, the name Miss Evelyn Lawley and good teaching were synonymous for thirty-eight years. There is hardly a family in our towns that has not benefited from her wise counsel and instruction. To this outstanding contribution Miss Lawley added the feat of never having been absent nor tardy in those thirty-eight years. I know that everyone joins with me in wishing Miss Lawley many happy and fruitful years of retirement.

From the first released table of costs of the operation of similar schools in the Commonwealth we find that our costs are most favorable. As soon as complete figures are available they will be brought to the School Committee for study and released through the press.

I wish to thank the School Committee, Principal, Teachers and all other school personnel, parents and students for their continued understanding and untiring efforts to make Pioneer the finest of schools.

Respectfully submitted,

F. SUMMER TURNER

Superintendent of Schools

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL

Annual Report of the Principal—1961

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Pioneer Valley Regional School District Committee:

I herewith submit my fifth annual report as principal of Pioneer Valley Regional School.

Each year in operation finds our school functioning more smoothly as an educational unit. Our faculty, our students, our administrative and clerical personnel are working harmoniously to make our school an effective educational institution. Each knows his part in the team and is cooperating to the fullest to make Pioneer Valley Regional School a school of which all the citizens in the district can be proud.

Our school enrollment continues to increase but at a somewhat slower pace than formerly. The class enrollments as of December 1, 1961, were as follows:

7P—24; 7V—29; 7R—16; 7S—16	Total 98
8P—27; 8V—27; 8R—22; 8S—22	Total 98
9P—29; 9V—22; 9R—28; 9S—14	Total 93
10P—28; 10V—12; 10R—24	Total 64
11P—29; 11V—30	Total 59
12P—34; 12V—21	Total 55

The enrollments from the several towns as of December 1 were as follows:

Bernardston, 146; Leyden, 42; Northfield, 220; Warwick, 54; Greenfield, 2; Gill, 2; Winchester, 1. Total 467.

As our school population and student needs change, our program changes. New subjects replace some which need to be brought up-to-date. At present we are working on the possibility of half-year courses in several areas to broaden our course offerings and make it possible for students to transfer to different courses at half-year if it is deemed advisable. Under proper guidance and with the knowledge of parents, all high school stu-

dents choose the type of course that is best suited to their interests and needs.

New courses offered during the present school year include a course in government required of all freshmen which replaces the civics course. A course in homemaking is offered to all senior class girls but particularly for those who have followed the college preparatory course and have been unable to take any home-making course before. This course includes both theory and laboratory work. A half-year course in physical science covering both chemistry and physics followed by a half-year course in earth science is offered to seniors in particular and some juniors. These courses are filling a long-felt need in our program.

The enrollments by subjects in the high school classes are:

English 9	28, 22, 28, 14—92	Biology	18, 15, 31—64
English 10	29, 12, 22—63	Chemistry	22
English 11	28, 29—57	Physics	11
English 12	32, 22—54	Physical Science	14
Speech 11	23, 17, 16—56	Government	18, 31, 24, 21—94
Speech 12	18, 20, 18—56	World History	27, 22—49
Latin I	22, 18—40	U.S. History	29, 30—59
Latin II	15	Problems of	
French I	28	Democracy	23, 32—55
French II	8	Homemaking I	16
Algebra I	30, 19—49	Homemaking II	10
Algebra II	25	Homemaking III	10
Geometry	30	Senior Homemaking	15
Solid and Trigonometry	9	Typing I	8, 13, 19, 24—64
General Math	27	Typing II	20
Refresher Math	21	Bookkeeping I	23
Business Math	29	Bookkeeping II	14
Agriculture I & II	11	Shorthand I	16
Agriculture III & IV	9	Shorthand II	17
Industrial Arts I & II	20	Office Practice	18
Industrial Arts III & IV	12	Art (High School)	30
General Science	30, 29—59		

National Education Week

A slight change in our annual observance of this special week brought many fine words of praise from parents. Parents were encouraged to visit school during the evening of November 8 and to progress through a day's complete program of fifteen-minute periods. Teachers explained to the parents what they hoped to accomplish during the year in their subjects. Parents were given a short time to ask questions of the teachers. About two hundred fifty parents attended.

Evaluation

Our self-evaluation phase of the program of evaluation by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is well under way. Our faculty has completed formulation of its school philosophy and a set of objectives which have been approved by the School Committee. The faculty is now engaged in working by committees in subject matter fields in evaluating each phase of our educational program. We are setting a tentative date of October, 1962, to be evaluated by a visiting committee.

Commencement Program

The Baccalaureate message was delivered on Sunday, June 11, by The Reverend Andrew F. Wissemann of the St. James Episcopal Church. The prayer of Invocation was given by The Reverend Laurence Sibley of the Community Bible Church. The Lesson was read by The Reverend Harold Tallman of the Northfield Baptist Church while the Benediction was given by The Reverend Thomas S. Cleaver of The Federated Church of Warwick.

The Class of 1961 had their graduation on Friday, June 16. The graduation program was as follows:

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"	Class of 1961
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
Invocation	The Rev. John Emerson
Song: "Battle Hymn of the Republic"—Howe	Glee Club
Welcome:	Bennet Nicholson, Pres., Class of 1961
Honor Essay: "Rotten Apples"	Beverly Phelps
Honor Essay: "Individualism"	Alice Newton
Song: "No Man Is An Island"—Whitney and Kramer	Glee Club
Address: "To Travel Hopefully is a Better Thing Than to Arrive"	

Thomas E. O'Connell, Director, Berkshire Community College	
Special Awards:	Prin. George M. Leonard
Gift of the Class of 1961	Bennet Nicholson
Awarding of Diplomas	Supt. F. Sumner Turner
Class Song:	Words by Renee Pillard and Diane Leach
	Music by Daniel Fallon and John Stacey
School Song: "Oh Pioneer"—Gancarz	Students
Benediction:	The Rev. Walter Siemaszko
Recessional: "Pomp and Circumstance"	Class of 1961

The Class Officers and Class Roll were as follows:

President—Bennet Nicholson	Secretary—Diane Leach
Vice-President—John Stacey	Treasurer—Joyce Roberts
Raymond Alfred Allen III	Joyce Elaine Martin
Patricia Anne Amsden	Morris Stephen Merrifield, Jr.

Robert Gerald Barnes
 Brenda Jean Beckwith
 Judith Rae Berthiaume
 Marsha Elaine Billings
 Janet Marie Bliss
 Sandra Lee Cascone
 Beatrice Irene Clough
 Marcia Elaine Evans
 Daniel Martin Fallon
 Wayne Leslie Fisher, Jr.
 Judith Ann Gagnon
 Roger Lawrence Gale
 Kristin Adele Gillespie
 William Harold Glabach
 Phillip Rolland Grant
 Robert James Hanrahan
 Walter Denison Herrick
 Raymond Floyd Jackson
 Shirley May Johnson
 Carol Ann Joslin
 Diane Elizabeth Leach
 Peter Andrew Leach
 William Baker Marcy

*Alice Elizabeth Newton
 Grace Louisa Nichols
 Bennet Malcolm Nicholson
 *Beverly Jean Phelps
 Renee Adele Pillard
 Maxine Evelyn Rattee
 Roger Burton Reed
 Joyce Ann Roberts
 Brian James Scott
 Edward Douglas Shearer
 Larry Duncan Smith
 Carl Emery Snyder
 Winthrop Earle Spencer, Jr.
 John Wilfred Stacey
 Eunice Elaine Stanley
 Kathryn Louise Stoddard
 James Richard Thurber
 Harry Lyall Waaser
 Walter Wallace White
 Carolyn Gates Whithed
 Sandra Louise Wilbar
 Carolyn Rose Williams
 *Edwin Ralph Witherell

*Member of National Honor Society

Prizes and Awards

Pioneer Valley Union Teachers' Association Scholarship (\$200)
 Bennet Nicholson
 Pioneer Valley Regional P.T.A. Scholarship (\$200) Beverly Phelps
 Bernardston P.T.A. Scholarship (\$100) Daniel Fallon
 Greenfield Recorder-Gazette Farm Youth Scholarship (\$200)
 Edward Shearer
 Bernardston Men's Club Scholarship (\$150) Judith Berthiaume
 Work and Loan Scholarship (\$1,000 at Drew University)
 Edwin Witherell
 Eastern Star Scholarship (\$150) Joyce Roberts
 Emily C. Jenness—Character Award Judith Berthiaume
 English Award Daniel Fallon
 Isaac B. Snow Awards (Two highest ranking students from
 Bernardston) Walter Herrick, Daniel Fallon
 Bausch & Lomb Science Award Walter Herrick
 University of Mass. Ascension Farm Scholarship \$(300)
 Edward Shearer

Northfield Kiwanis John Philip Sousa Award	John Stacey
Chapter #100 American Tool Engineers (\$250)	Walter Herrick
(presented by John D. Sinclair, Chmn., Education Comm.)	
Student Council Highest Award	Beverly Phelps
Student Council Second Highest Award	Alice Newton
D.A.R. Good Citizen Certificate	Beverly Phelps
National Honor Society Certificates, Cards and Seals	
Beverly Phelps, Edwin Witherell, Alice Newton	
Good Government Day Representative	William Marcy
Alternate	John Stacey
Boys' State Representatives	Leslie Deane, Ronald Jordan
Girls' State Representatives	Sandra Peterson, Barbara Field
Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow Award	Grace Nichols

Of the fifty students who graduated with the class of 1961, twenty-five are continuing their education this year while nine others have entered the armed forces. Sixteen students are continuing in four year colleges as follows: University of Massachusetts, 4; Keene Teachers' College, 3; Northeastern University, 2; and one each at University of Pennsylvania, Marlboro College, Oberlin, Westfield State, Drew University, Letourneau, and Western New England. Two students have entered nursing school, three students are attending Northampton Commercial College, one student attends East Coast Aerotech, one girl is attending an Airline Hostess school, two are taking post graduate courses at P.V.R.S., two are married, while the other fourteen are working.

Activities

There were, among many, two activities for which our school had state-wide recognition during the past year. Last spring a group of students consisting of Renee Pillard, Raymond Jackson, Peter Leach, Sandra Peterson, and Gloria Dunn, under the direction of Mr. John Williams entered the student government exchange program conducted by the State Department of Education. Our entire school was most pleased to have a second place award as a result of this program. The exchange was with Springfield Classical High School. The exchange kit has been displayed in the various town libraries.

The other recognition was for outstanding work in November by members of the F.F.A. boys judging teams. Philip Grover received a first place award in the state as a judge of general livestock. He with Donald Hubbard and Robert McCollum received a third place rating as a team in judging general livestock. A team composed of Robert Deane, Ronald Wright and Lorren

Pratt received a first place rating in the judging of dairy cattle. This is the highest rating ever attained by our boys in the Agriculture Department.

Other activities were conducted as in the past with the general consensus being that all the activities are very successful and that over 70% of our students take advantage of the opportunity to engage in the extra curricular program.

In Conclusion

The smooth running operation of our school is due to the cooperative work of a very fine faculty, a student body of which the district can be proud, very efficient clerical help, loyal custodians, wonderful parents, hard-working cafeteria workers, an understanding school committee, and dedicated administrators and supervisors. May I extend my sincere thanks to all who have been so helpful in making the present year the best that Pioneer has experienced.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. LEONARD

Principal

REPORT OF SCHOOL FUNDS

Athletic Account

Balance on hand January 1, 1961		\$ 382 40
Receipts:		
Admissions to basketball games	\$584 10	
Admissions to football games	226 05	
Transportation Fund	163 50	
		\$ 973 65
Total Receipts		\$1356 05
Disbursements:		
Supplies	\$ 3 90	
Bus transportation	1385 85	
Police	14 37	
Total Disbursements		\$1404 12
Deficit		-\$ 48 07

Insurance Account

Receipts	\$ 718 20
Disbursements	583 60
Balance January 1, 1962	\$ 134 60

Student Funds

General Fund	\$ 635 13
F. F. A.	570 59
Band (Deficit)	- 6 78
Glee Club	375 60
Journalism	531 94
Class of 1962	2269 13
Class of 1963	796 65
Class of 1964	605 72
Class of 1965	322 95
Class of 1966	226 89
Class of 1967	91 50
Balance on hand January 1, 1962	\$6419 32

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL FACULTY

NAME	SUBJECTS	WHERE EDUCATED
Mr. George M. Leonard	Principal	Bridgewater Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.
Mr. John T. Callahan	Assistant Principal Chemistry, Science	Keene Teachers College, B.Ed. Boston University, M.Ed. *University of Connecticut *Holy Cross
Mr. William A. Nesbitt	Assistant Principal Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry	Springfield College, B.S., M.Ed. *Clark University
Mrs. Edith Aldrich	English and French	University of Massachusetts, B.S.
Mrs. Helen E. Atwood	Homemaking	University of Massachusetts, B.S.
Miss Nancy L. Blanchard	Social Studies 7 and Library	College of Our Lady of the Elms American International College, B.A.
Mr. Francis A. DeGrenier	General Science 7 Biology	University of Massachusetts, B.S.
Mr. H. Nelson Dyer	Science Math 7	University of Massachusetts, B.S., Ch.E.
Mr. Eugene Gancarz	Instrumental Music Math 8	Boston University, B.M., M.M.
Mr. Paul F. Goss	Typing and Office Practice	Husson College, B.S. Springfield College, M.Ed.
Mrs. Beryle Hammond	Homemaking	University of New Hampshire, B.S. *University of Massachusetts

Mr. John A. Hogan	Mathematics and Industrial Arts	North Adams State College, B.S.Ed.
Mrs. Lois A. Humphrey	Physical Education	Sargent College, B.U., B.S. *Springfield College
Mr. Ralph Martino	Physical Education	Springfield College, B.S.
Mr. John F. McHugh	Science Guidance Counselor	St. Francis Xavier University, B.A. Boston College, M.Ed.
Mr. William S. Messer	Physical Education Social Studies	Springfield College, B.S. *University of Vermont
Mr. John R. Miles	English 8, Driver Education, Science 9 Physics	No. Adams State Teachers College, B.S. *University of Massachusetts
Mr. Brian L. Overdorff	Vocational Agriculture	University of Massachusetts, B.S. *American International College
Mr. John A. Peters	English; Speech	Trinity College, B.A. *Fitchburg State College *Harvard University
Mr. Ronald M. Richard, Jr.	7th Grade English	Worcester State Teachers College, B.S.E.
Mr. John C. Trumbull	Social Studies 8 World History	University of Massachusetts, B.A. *Graduate School, University of Massachusetts
Mr. Leslie C. Turner	English X & XII	University of Massachusetts, B.A.
Mr. Linwood R. Wallace	Industrial Arts	Gorham State Teachers College, B.S. *University of Maine *University of Rhode Island

Mr. John C. Williams

U.S. History; Govt.,
Problems of Democracy

Mrs. Thelma K. Yeager

Latin I & II
English XI

Mrs. Ruth M. Young

Shorthand I & II
Bookkeeping I & II
Business Math
Music Supervisor

Miss Phyllis Drew

Mrs. Nathalie Turner

Art Supervisor

*Attended without graduation

School Nurse

Mrs. Dorothy Streeter, R.N.

Custodians

Mr. Edward Fortier, Head
Mr. Ning Der

School Doctor

Dr. Ansel B. True

Cafeteria Workers

Mrs. Agnes Wickey, Head
Mrs. Nellie Barber
Mrs. Olive Stone

University of Massachusetts, B.A.

Bates College, A.B.

Boston University, M.A.

University of Massachusetts
Summer School

American International College, B.S.,
M.A.

*University of Massachusetts Extension

Crane School of Music

*New York University

Boston Museum of Fine Arts School

Tufts University, B.F.A.

*University of Massachusetts

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

The school physician examined all children in the seventh and tenth grades and all members of athletic teams and of athletic squads from all grades. He attended both home football games and rendered first aid to the players of both teams at those games. The visual and auditory acuity examinations are carried out by the school nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

ANSEL B. TRUE, M.D.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Committee of Pioneer Valley Regional School:

Physical examinations in grades 7, 10, and all new students were completed in the fall by Dr. True. All students participating in any sport were also done. Total number examined was 299.

The Massachusetts Vision Tests were given to all students in school by the School Nurse. Of the 453 students enrolled at Pioneer, 42 failed the tests and 28 of these are either under treatment, have new glasses, or have had their glasses changed.

In hearing tests given to the same group of students, 15 failed but 12 of those are under treatment.

Home Nursing classes were conducted from January on for 16 weeks. This course isn't usually appreciated until the girls have homes of their own or some member of their immediate family is ill. Then the practical knowledge they have learned becomes valuable.

Parents please take notice—by law I am allowed to give only first aid. I am not allowed to give medicine in any form, not even an aspirin tablet.

Steel rods, with muslin curtains hanging from them, have been installed in the nurse's room. They divide the room into three sections thus enabling the room to be used to better advantage.

I wish to thank all the school personnel for their cooperation and patience especially during the eye, ear, and physical examination time.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY STREETER, R.N.

School Nurse

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer

January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961

Balance on hand December 31, 1960:

Capital	\$ 22275 60
Operational	60496 52
Construction	5356 14
School Lunch	291 89
Athletic Association	382 40
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	379 12
Reserve for Maturing Debt (Savings Deposits)	71586 53
	\$160768 20

Receipts

Capital:

Reimb. & aid on construction	\$43785 66
Interest on deposits	2624 27
Bernardston assessment	13625 99
Leyden assessment	4705 38
Northfield assessment	25585 48
Warwick assessment	5097 49
	\$95424 27

Operational:

Reimb. of transportation	\$34337 22
Tuition and transp. State Wards	2406 00
Aid to Vocational Schools	852 00
Town of Bernardston assessment	53115 79
Town of Leyden assessment	15611 10
Town of Northfield assessment	80340 02
Town of Warwick assessment	21132 09
Tuition:	
Youth Service Assoc.	982 08
Leyden	5781 77
Gill	393 33
Greenfield	810 63
Emery Evans	390 00
Diane Whitten	121 68
Ella Rodgers	40 00
George Olsen	112 32
	8631 81

Miscellaneous:

Use of building	297 90	
Coll. for breakage	275 74	
Employer's Comp.	27 69	
Eve. Registrations	215 10	816 43
		\$217242 46
School lunches		21194 68
Athletic Association		1691 85
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)		3243 00
George Barden Fund (E.P.A.)		350 00
		\$339146 26
Total receipts and holdings		\$499914 46

Disbursements**Capital:**

Interest due May 1	\$ 715 00
Interest due Nov. 1	660 00
Interest due Jan. 1	14712 50
Interest due July 1	14712 50
Redemption of bonds 2.20%	5000 00
Redemption of bonds 2.75%	70000 00
	\$105800 00

Operational:

General Control	\$ 7184 27
Instruction	124240 65
Student supplies	6966 51
Textbooks	2652 79
Operation School Plant	25128 92
Maintenance	2746 15
Auxiliary Agencies	8145 00
Transportation	38598 74
Adult Education	510 00
Frank. Co. Assessment (ret)	811 75
	\$216984 78
Construction	4208 28
School Lunches	20331 22
Athletic Association	1987 72
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	3401 25
George Barden Fund (E.P.A.)	260 00

Total Disbursements	\$352973 25
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Balance on hand December 31, 1961

Capital	\$11899 87	
Operational	60754 20	
Construction	1147 86	
School Lunches	1155 35	
Athletic Fund	86 53	
George Barden Fund (Vo. Ag.)	220 87	
George Barden Fund (E.P.A.)	90 00	
Reserve for Maturing Debt (Savings Deposits)	71586 53	
		\$146941 21
		\$499914 46

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD A. KING

Treasurer

**PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL
OPERATIONAL BUDGET**

GENERAL CONTROL:

	1961	1962
Superintendent's Salary	\$3200 00	\$3200 00
Secretary (Supt.)	1700 00	1800 00
Telephone	400 00	550 00
Office Supplies	200 00	200 00
Treasurer's expense	275 00	275 00
Counsel Fees	100 00	100 00
Treasurer's Salary	1100 00	1100 00
Committee's Expense	100 00	100 00
Superintendent's Travel	100 00	100 00
Auditing Charge	200 00	275 00
	\$7375 00	\$7700 00

INSTRUCTION:

Salaries: Regular	125374 00	136600 00
Substitutes	750 00	850 00
Driver Training	1500 00	750 00
Secretary	2100 00	2200 00
Extra Teacher	3000 00	1500 00
	\$132724 00	\$141900 00

SUPPLIES (Student)	\$5500 00	\$6000 00
TEXTBOOKS	3000 00	3000 00

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:

Janitor Salaries	\$10500 00	\$12000 00
Fuel	9000 00	7000 00
Light and Power	6000 00	6000 00
Janitor Supplies	2000 00	2000 00
Snow plow. and rubbish	400 00	400 00

	\$27900 00	\$27400 00
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MAINTENANCE	\$2500 00	\$4000 00
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NEW EQUIPMENT		\$3000 00
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Evaluation		\$800 00
Nurse	750 00	850 00
Doctor	350 00	400 00
Sundry Education	500 00	800 00
Insurance	2950 00	2950 00
Physical Education	200 00	200 00
Athletic Teams	2800 00	3500 00
Library	1000 00	1000 00
Visual Aids	500 00	300 00

	\$9050 00	\$10800 00
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TRANSPORTATION	\$37000 00	\$43000 00
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COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	1000 00	1000 00
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ADULT EDUCATION	800 00	800 00
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	\$226849 00	\$248600 00
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Total Operating Budget, 1962		\$248600 00
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ANTICIPATED REVENUE:

Transportation	\$39000 00	
Tuition	10253 33	
George Barden Funds	2000 00	
Evening Practical Arts	300 00	
Adult Classes	100 00	
Approp. Surplus	10000 00	

		\$61653 33
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NET OPERATING BUDGET, 1962		\$186946 67
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NET OPERATING BUDGET, 1961		\$170199 00
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PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

CAPITAL BUDGET — 1962

Maturing Debt, May		\$5000 00
Maturing Debt, July		70000 00
Interest \$60,000 May	660 00	
Interest \$55,000 November	605 00	
Interest \$1,000,000 January	13750 00	
Interest \$1,000,000 July	13750 00	
		\$28765 00
		\$103765 00

Against this amount we are applying:

State Aid Building Reimbursement	\$43785 66	
Appropriate from:		
Withdrawal from Greenfield Savings Bk.	1100 13	
E & D Surplus	11899 87	
		\$13000 00
		\$56785 66
		\$46979 34

1962 Shares

Bernardston	\$13060 26
Leyden	4510 02
Northfield	24523 21
Warwick	4885 85

State Audit, Town of Northfield

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1960

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

Assets		Liabilities and Reserves	
Cash		Payroll Deductions:	\$1345 28
Accounts Receivable:		Federal Taxes	394 55
Taxes:		State Taxes	216 29
Levy of 1957:		County Retirement System	325 89
Personal Property	\$48 00	Teachers' Retirement System	147 44
Real Estate	379 12	Blue Cross and Blue Shield	
			\$2429 45
Levy of 1958:		Tailings — Unclaimed Checks	259 53
Personal Property	\$61 60	Trust Fund Income:	
Real Estate	1559 76	Elisha Alexander Charity	
		Fund	\$725 80
Levy of 1959:		George F. Morgan Charity	
Poll	\$66 00	Fund	606 06
Personal Property	163 10	Roselle Evans Charity Fund	202 04
Real Estate	7544 02	Belcher Center School Fund	71 82
		Belcher Library Fund	134 41
Levy of 1960:		Maude Montague Library	
Poll	\$204 00	Fund	304 47
Personal Property	1030 95	Charles P. Dickinson Library	
Real Estate	23696 44	Book Fund	90 67
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	12 50
			24931 39

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Assessors' Maps	\$819 39	
Assessors' Valuation Program	847 43	
Civil Defense	364 63	
Land — Highland Circuit	275 00	
Elementary School	680 76	
Land Taking—Cooper Cave Lot	25 00	
Cemetery Lots Filing System	94 25	3106 46
		1260 00
Sale of Real Estate Fund		2044 62
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		11384 04
Road Machinery Fund		7340 92
Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus		
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1957	\$427 12	
Levy of 1958	1621 36	
Levy of 1959	3485 97	
Levy of 1960	1330 12	
		6864 57
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer		
Excise	\$23325 38	
Farm Animal Excise	165 90	
Tax Title and Possession	6854 97	
Departmental	678 10	
Aid to Highway	33150 00	
		64174 35
Surplus Revenue		99436 02
		\$239755 20

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DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$42000 00	Fire Station and Garage Loan	\$42000 00
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TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:
 Cash and Securities:
 In Custody of Treasurer
 In Custody of Selectmen
 In Custody of Trustees
 In Custody of Cemetery
 Commissioners

	In Custody of Treasurer:		
\$73119 54	Lottie Evans Charity Fund	\$1041 23	
2323 00	George F. Morgan Charity Fund	3000 00	
11050 58	Roselle Evans Charity Fund	500 00	
	Surplus Revenue School Fund	1600 00	
203 50	Belcher Center School Fund	1250 00	
	Belcher Library Fund	9739 01	
	Charles P. Dickinson Library Book Fund	3000 00	
	Maude Montague Library Fund	2000 00	
	C. Ina Merriman Dickinson Memorial Library Fund	5694 68*	
	Belcher Center Cemetery Fund	2000 00	
	Mary H. Callender Cemetery Fund	500 00	
	James W. Cowles Cemetery Fund	2000 00	
	Hachita Cemetery Fund	440 00*	
	C. Ina Merriman Cemetery Fund	1760 00*	

Calvin Stearns Cemetery Fund	500 00	
West Northfield Cemetery Fund	8942 49	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	14037 54	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	15114 59	\$73119 54
In Custody of Selectmen:		
Elisha Alexander Charity Fund	\$2020 00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	303 00	2323 00
In Custody of Trustees:		
Martha W. Alexander Charity Fund		11050 58
In Custody of Cemetery Commissioners:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund		203 50
	\$86696 62	\$86696 62

*In General Treasury.

Northfield Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

FRANKLIN, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Northfield in the County of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified to vote in elections and in towns affairs, to meet at the

TOWN HALL

in said Northfield on Monday the fifth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon then and there to bring in their votes by ballot for the following officers for the coming year:

Town Clerk for one year, Town Treasurer for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Assessor for three years, Town Moderator for one year, one School Committee Member for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, three Constables for three years, one Constable for three years, a resident of Northfield Farms, one member of the Planning Board for five years, one Tax Collector for one year.

The Polls will open at ten A.M. and close at eight P.M.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Northfield, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 6, 1962, at seven o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the Reports of the several Town Officers and act thereon.

Article 2. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year

beginning January 1, 1962, and to issue a note or notes thereof, payable within one year, and to renew such notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1962.

Article 3. To see if the Town will empower the Selectmen to defend the Town in any suit brought against the Town, or act thereon.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Selectmen & Welfare Boards:		Moderator	\$25
Chairman	\$375 \$75	Treasurer	1000
Other members	325 75	Tax Collector	1000
Assessors		Town Clerk	550
Each member	300	P.V.R.S. Committee	
School Committee		Each member	100
Each member	100		

Article 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be necessary for salaries and other Town charges, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends

Moderator Salary	\$25 00	Fire Station Bonds	
Expense	15 00	Maturing Debt	3000 00
Selectmen and Welfare		Interest	900 00
Bd.	1250 00	Elementary Schools	113000 00
Expense	400 00	P.V.R.S.D. Capital	
Town Accountant		Budget	24523 21
Salary	1000 00	P.V.R.S.D. Operating	
Expense	85 00	Budget	88393 26
Constable Pay, Exp. &		Maintenance Athletic	
Equip.	1200 00	Field	400 00
Fire Dept. Salaries	500 00	Fire & Casualty Ins.	6100 00
Operating Acct.	2550 00	General Relief	4000 00
Water Holes	400 00	Old Age Assistance	15000 00
Public Safety	50 00	Aid to Dependent	
Treasurer Salary	1000 00	Children	4000 00
Expense	450 00	Disability Assistance	1000 00

Assessors Salary	900 00	Soldiers' Relief	2750 00
Expense	350 00	Medical Assistance to	
Tax Collector Salary	1000 00	Aged	15000 00
Expense	600 00	Mach. Maint. Acct.	
Finance Committee Exp.	25 00	(Transfer from Road	
Town Clerk Salary	550 00	Mach. Fund)	7000 00
Expense	100 00	Highway Supt. Expense	140 00
School Committee		Tools for Highway Work	100 00
Salary	300 00	Snow Removal	11000 00
P.V.R.S. Committee		Highway Bounds, Surveys,	
Salary	300 00	Plans & St. Listings	100 00
Planning Board Exp.	100 00	Public Health	1300 00
Wire Inspector	50 00	Inspection of Animals	200 00
Sealer of W. & M. Salary		Insp. Meat & Slaughter	50 00
& Expense	200 00	Alexander Hall	250 00
Tree Trim. & Plant.	1200 00	Interest	300 00
Dog Officer & Exp.	100 00	Damages	300 00
Nurse & Substitute	3000 00	Town Clock	100 00
Expense	75 00	Town Reports	950 00
Car Expense	300 00	Foreclosure Cost Tax	
Fence Viewers & Field		Titles	50 00
Drivers	50 00	Prot. Tax Title Property	25 00
Legal Expense	250 00	Memorial and Veterans	
Town Hall Main.	5000 00	Day Observance	275 00
Elections & Registra-			
tions	2000 00		

Article 6. To see if the Town will authorize the Assessors to appoint one of their members as clerk of the Board and that the salary be \$800.00 in accordance with the provisions of Section 4a, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

The Finance Committee recommends \$800.00.

Article 7. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Fire Department to use to purchase hose and other miscellaneous equipment, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1,300.00.

Article 8. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Fire Station and Town Garage, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1,900.00.

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to combat Dutch Elm Disease, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$2,500.00.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for insect pest control, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1,000.00.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in trading the Public Health Nurse's car, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$2000.00.

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense Purposes, the same to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen and the Civil Defense Committee, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$200.00.

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to enter into contract with the Board of Public Works, Division of Highways, for repair and improvement of roads and highways, exclusive of state highways, and raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highways, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$4,950.00 and to transfer \$18,150.00 from unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Article 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$6,250.00 for the Town's share and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$18,750.00 for the State and County's share. 75% to be spent on the Gulf Road.

Article 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money

for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 and transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$4,000.00 for the State and County share.

Article 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for bridges, railings and highway work, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends \$4,000.00.

Article 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the repair of existing sidewalks, and for new construction, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$1,000.00.

Article 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,586.00 for lighting the streets, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$6,586.00.

Article 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the use of the Field Library at Northfield Farms, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$150.00.

Article 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,600.00 for the operation of the Dickinson Memorial Library, this sum to include the fines collected and the Dog Tax, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$6,600.00.

Article 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to finance a summer playground program for the children of Northfield and authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to make provision for the same, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$500.00.

Article 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used to purchase fish to be liberated

in the streams of Northfield, under the supervision of the Selectmen, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$200.00.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for repairs to the Northfield Museum and Number Four School House, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$350.00.

Article 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the care and preservation of cemeteries, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$2800.00.

Article 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for hydrant service for 16 hydrants to be paid to the Northfield Water Company, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends \$400.00.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept a sum of money from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a grant providing aid for free public libraries as outlined in Chapter 760 of the Acts of 1960 or take any action thereon in relation thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will accept the report of the Committee appointed by the Selectmen under Article 27 at the Annual Town Meeting of March 7, 1961 to study By-Laws and Traffic Regulation for the Town of Northfield, or act thereon.

Article 28. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate up to the sum of \$2000.00 to bring to a suitable conclusion the matter of the so-called ditch lot.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$400.00 for painting and repairs to the former fire house now used by Northfield Boy Scouts, Troop 9.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$200.00 from the Charles Streeter Estate as a trust fund, the

interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot No. 5 in Mr. Hermon Cemetery.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 from the May B. Rankin Estate as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot No. 317 in Center Cemetery.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$500.00 from the George N. Kidder Estate as a trust fund, the interest thereof to be used for perpetual care of lot No. 456 in Center Cemetery.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Road Machinery Fund to be used in trading for a new truck for highway work, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends the transfer of \$6,000.00 from the Road Machinery Fund.

Article 34. To hear the report on Sewage by the Planning Board, and see if the Town will vote to have a preliminary survey of a possible sewage system, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to meet expenses, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$9,000.00 for the Fire Department to purchase and install, by competitive bidding, various items to properly equip the Reo Truck for Fire Fighting use.

Finance Committee recommends to raise and appropriate \$9,000.00.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of the Buffalo Fire truck.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to accept a Protective Zoning By-Law, or act thereon.

PROTECTIVE ZONING BY-LAW TOWN OF NORTHFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this By-Law is to promote the health, safety, morals, conveniences, and general welfare of the inhabitants of

the Town of Northfield, to protect and conserve the value of the property within the Town, to preserve the beauty of our New England Main Street, to increase the amenities of the Town, and to secure safety from fire, congestion, or confusion, — all in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Chapter 40A, Section 1 through 22 inclusive, and any amendments thereof.

II. DISTRICTS

The Town shall be divided into three areas as follows:

1. Residential
2. Business
3. Agricultural-Industrial

III. LOCATION OF AREAS

The boundaries of each District are hereby established as shown on the Zoning Map of the Town of Northfield, dated Feb. 15, 1957 which accompanies and is hereby made a part of this By-Law, such map to be filed in the office of the Town Clerk.

IV. USES PERMITTED IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

1. Residential use, — single or multiple family house.
2. Poultry and animals may be raised and kept if the manner of same is not unsightly or offensive. Poultry and animals kept for commercial purposes shall conform to the foregoing, and shall in addition, require a permit from the Selectmen.
3. Occasional display and sale of seasonable products grown on the premises will be permitted provided it does not become a nuisance or an extensive commercial business.
4. Customary home or professional occupations or light industrial activity in the building conducted only by the owner of the building, provided it does not change the nature of the district. A small identification sign would be permitted, not to exceed two (2) square feet in area.
5. Religious, educational and public utility buildings and public utility structures.

V. USES PERMITTED IN BUSINESS DISTRICT

1. Any use permitted in Residential District.
2. Stores, shops, restaurants, garages and repair shops, and such similar uses as the Selectmen may approve and grant permits thereof, providing the same are in keeping with a presentable business district.

VI. USES PERMITTED IN AGRICULTURAL — INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

There shall be no restriction to use in the Agricultural-

Industrial District, except that in the case of the advent of any industry, no such industrial use shall be permitted if it is injurious, noxious, or offensive to the neighborhood.

VII. USES IN NON-CONFORMING AREAS

1. Nothing in this By-Law shall prevent the continuation of a non-conforming use of lot or structure.
2. No increase in the extent of a non-conforming use of a lot or structure may be made.
3. Wherever a non-conforming use has been abandoned for a period of more than one year, it shall not be re-established and any future use shall conform to this By-Law.
4. Wherever a non-conforming use has been changed to a more restricted use, it shall not again be changed to a less restricted use.
5. Wherever a structure, or part thereof, put to a non-conforming use is destroyed or damaged, it may be reconstructed substantially as it existed prior to such destruction or damage, and may continue to be used for the same or a more restricted use, — provided that reconstruction is in fact commenced within one year following the date of such destruction or damage.

VIII. TRAILERS, MOBILE HOMES, AND JUNK YARDS

1. No trailer or mobile home camp or junk yard will be permitted in any district.
2. After a public hearing, six month trailer permits, renewable for short periods, may be granted by the Selectmen. The site for said trailer or mobile home shall conform to the provisions of Section IX.
3. Temporary two-week permits may be granted by the Selectmen to visitors.

IX. LOT SIZE AND FRONTAGE

In any district a dwelling hereafter erected shall be located on a lot with a minimum of ten thousand (10,000) square feet and with a minimum frontage of one hundred (100) feet. Only one dwelling shall be built upon any such lot, and the minimum floor area for a dwelling shall be seven hundred and twenty (720) square feet per family.

X. SETBACKS

In Residential and Business District, no building need be set back more than the average of the setbacks of the buildings on either side. If there are no adjacent buildings a minimum setback of twenty (20) feet from the street line will be required.

XI. ENFORCEMENT

This By-Law shall be enforced by the Selectmen. No Construction, building or exterior alterations which increase the size of a building shall be made until a permit therefor has been issued, and the Board of Selectmen is hereby authorized to grant permits consistent with the provisions of this By-Law. Any person violating any provision of this By-Law may be fined not more than twenty (\$20.00) dollars for each offense, and each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

XII. BOARD OF APPEALS

There shall be a Board of Appeals consisting of three (3) members and two (2) associate members appointed by the Selectmen as provided by Section 14 of Chapter 40A, General Laws, such Board of Appeals to act on all matters authorized by this By-Law and by Chapter 40A of the General Laws.

XIII. AMENDMENTS

No change or amendment of this By-Law shall be adopted except by a two-thirds vote of a legally called Town meeting.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Overlay Reserve, a sum of money for a Reserve Fund for the current year, or take any vote or votes relative thereto.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer \$3,000.00.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be used by the Assessors in determining the 1962 Tax Rate, or act thereon.

The Finance Committee recommends to transfer \$15,000.00.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Post Offices at Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield, and at the Tenney Farms Filling Station at Northfield Farms in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this first day of February in the year
of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two.

STANLEY WICKEY

PAUL M. MAYBERRY

CORYS M. HESELTON

Selectmen of Northfield

A true copy. Attest:

FACTS ABOUT NORTHFIELD

Incorporated.....	1723
Population.....	2320 (1960)
Form of Government.....	Town Meeting
Tax Rate, 1961.....	\$87.00
Number of Dwellings.....	753
Real Estate Valuation.....	\$2,421,490.00
Personal Property.....	\$249,785.00
Public Schools.....	Elementary School Pioneer Valley Regional School
Private Schools.....	The Northfield School for Girls
Fire Protection.....	Three Fire Engines—Phone 521
Town Highways.....	67 Miles
Public Libraries.....	Dickinson Memorial Field Library at Northfield Farms
Altitude.....	309 ft. (at Town Hall)
Rail Roads.....	Boston & Maine Central Vermont
Water Supply.....	East Northfield Water Co. Northfield Water Co. Dry Swamp Aqueduct Co.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR 1962

FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

EIGHTH COUNCILLOR DISTRICT

FRANKLIN-HAMPSHIRE SENATORIAL DISTRICT

UNITED STATES SENATORS

Leverett Saltonstall

Benjamin A. Smith II

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Silvio O. Conte

GOVERNOR

John A. Volpe

COUNCILLOR

Ray Sullivan

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Edward F. McLaughlin, Jr.

STATE SENATOR

Ralph Mahar

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

Philip F. Whitmore

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Harry Koch, Chairman

Frank Reed

Thomas Herlihy

